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▶ Summary ◀

Saeki Keidai is a high school student who still has memories of his past life! lived in Pompeii, Italy during the year 79 A.D. He was separated from his previous lover dne to his death, and his lover now is a man (Yuume) who just moved in next door! Moreover, his male best friend from his past life has now become a girl (Serizawa)! How would Keidai's romance bloom? Past life or present? A panic-love comedy volume one out now!

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Introduction

Saeki Keidai is a high school student who still has memories of his past life! His past life lived in Pompeii Italy during the year 79 A.D

He was separated from his previous lover (Serena) due to his death, and his lover now is a boy name Yuuma who just moved in next door!! Moreover, Keidai and Yuuma's male best friend (Loreius) from their past life has now become a girl name Senzawa Mii!!

How would these three's love life go...?

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NG Life

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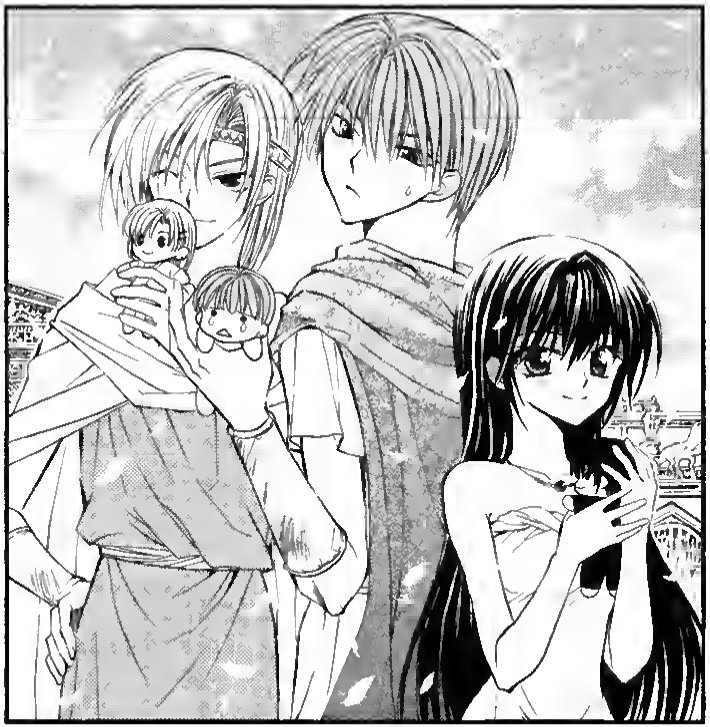

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HELLO! SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOU!
WE'RE THE NEW NEIGHBOURS WHO JUST MOVED IN NEXT DOOR! WE'RE CALLED UJOU
AH, HELLO!
This is a gift for you
Ah, thank you very much...
This is what we call —
OI, YUUMA, INTRODUCE YOURSELF!
Hey
FATE!!

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NICE TO MEET YOU. OR
NICE TO MEET YOU AGAIN
HELLO, KUSUNAGI MIZUHO HERE
THANK YOU FOR BUYING NG LIFE
VOLUME ONE. AS THIS IS A
RELAXING (?) COMEDY~
I HOPE EVERYONE WILL RELAX
AS THEY READ THIS.

AS A LOT OF FANS WILL
ASK FOR MY BIRTH DATE
AND ALL I WILL GIVE A
SMALL INTRODUCTION
OF MYSELF~ ↘

KUSUNAGI MIZUHO
BORN ON FEBRUARY 3
KUMAMOTO PREFECTURE (KYUUSHU)
O TYPE.
LIKES: SLEEPING AND PLAYING WITH CATS
RECENT OBSESSION: DOU BAA-CHAN
RECENT REGRET: UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
NATIONAL IDOL GROUP CONCERT~

This city, which had a population of around twenty thousand people, has lost its proud history due to the catastrophic eruption of the volcano, Mount Vesuvius.
August 24th, 79 A.D., Italy's monopoly port, Pompeii.
I'M SORRY, SERENA.
BUT I'M A HELPER OF THE FELIX HOUSE. I MUST SAVE THEM.
YOU AND THE FAMILY RUN TO ESCAPE TO THE PORT NOW
SYRACUSE-SAMA, ARE YOU REALLY GOING OUT EVEN IN SUCH DARKNESS?
Among the escaping villagers, there was a couple with a very strong bond.
Amidst the fire, rain, and eternal darkness...
NO! I WANT TO WAIT FOR YOU!
I MAY OR MAY NOT RETURN!
AND SO BE IT,
I WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO LIVE ON WITHOUT YOU
SERENA...
IF YOU WANT ME TO LIVE, THEN PLEASE COME BACK ALIVE

SERENA
THAT'S THE REASON I WAS BORN TO THIS WORLD
I LIVE TO LIVE TOGETHER WITH SYRACUSE-SAMA. .
After that, Pompeii was then completely buried by the volcano's ashes, and the two never saw each other again.
SYRACUSE-SAMA .
I'LL DEFINITELY COME BACK. .
WHAT MEDIOCRE MOVIE WAS THAT SCENE FROM?
munch munch
OH, IS THAT SO

SLAM!
It's not a movie! It's my past life!
munch munch
YES, YES, I KNOW...
Heard it so many times my ears are gonna forget
And now, during 2005 A.D. ...
KEI-CHAN'S PAST LIFE WAS IN ITALY
RIGHT.
I, Saeki Keidai, am a Japanese high school student.
YOU WERE LIVING IN POMPEII
RIGHT.
YOU DIED BECAUSE OF THE VOLCANO ERUPTION, RIGHT?
RIGHT.
KEI-CHAN, YOU BETTER NOT TELL ANYONE ELSE ABOUT THIS
WHY CAN'T YOU REMEMBER YOUR PAST LIFE, SERISAWA...?
They'll look at you funny!
God ...
Why can't anyone remember their past lives?
Why am I the only one who can?
CAN'T EVEN REALLY REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED LAST YEAR, SO IT'S NEAR IMPOSSIBLE TO REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED BEFORE 1900, RIGHT?
That's not the point!
Yet so many people from my past life surround me!
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How do I know this? I felt it from the spirits.
Serizawa and I were skilled sword rivals and often drank together.
munch munch
She was my male best friend in my past life.
For example, this girl here is my classmate, Serizawa Mii.
YEAH!
IT'S SAEKI-SENPAI! HE'S REALLY COOL!
Ah!
I'm very confused everyday.
I'm not into GUYS!
STANDS!
Idiots!
BUT HE SEEMS TO BE ALREADY DATING SOMEONE
Such a disappointment.
Very confused!
PAM!
WHO ARE YOU CALLING A GUY?!
Moreover, my father was my rival in my past life.
Hi Tomoki!
MAMA
PAPA
and my mother was my past life sister.
Hi Tomoki!

Aah...Beautiful Pompeii, I can't forget you!
Anyway, the only reason I'm alive here is so I could meet that person.
My beloved Serena...
She will definitely reincarnate here...
Waiting for us to fall in love again...
As this is fate...
AND THIS IS FATE!!
OI, YUUMA, INTRODUCE YOURSELF!
SE-... SERENAA-AAAA?!!
This is Serena! She's really here! All hail fate! Serena just moved next door to me!
Then, this means the gods have fated us to be together! Why? Because our souls have come together to become soul mates! Yes, that's it!

Hugs
I miss you...!
SERENA!!
WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!!!!
SFX: PUNCH!
I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN SO LONG AND YOU'RE STILL AS CUTE AS EVER! BUT MAYBE JUST A BIT TOO THIN..
BUT COME TO THINK OF IT, YUUMA SOUNDS LIKE A BOY'S NAME BUT OH WELL, NAMES AREN'T IMPOR- .
...YOU...
Eh?
Eh...?
You're really strong...
Serena...

YOU PER-VERT!
I'M A GUY!
What...?
W-What did you just say?
I...
Can't hear...
Properly!

Reincarnated as a...
GUY?!!!
The love of my life that I've always been waiting for...
No! No!
No! No!
NOOO!
The ideal girl of my dreams that I've always pictured and adored...
Serena...
Something must have gone terribly wrong...
I HEARD YOU SUDDENLY HUGGED THE BOY NEXT DOOR.
KEIJI,
YOU'RE LAUGHING, OLD MAN!
YOU SHOULDN'T DO THAT!

NGライフができるまで
by くさだ
前作 ゲームメーカーとかシリアスで男の子2人の話だったから明るいラブコメやりたいなー
目標を少なくする
どうせなら好きなモノをつめこもう！前世に繋いで味あるから前世ものにしよう！
古代ローマとかとかやめてくれ！火山灰に埋もれた町ポンペイを出そう！
そしてNGライフ完成
こんな変態ラブコメをやるつもりじゃ…
誰が変態だっ
まだまだNGな作品です。
PISSED!!
HE WAS SO CUTE YOU JUST COULDN'T RESIST THE URGE TO HUG HIM, RIGHT!
BECAUSE YOU'RE VERY INTERESTING
You guys didn't even get my consent before getting married!
Shut up! Stop butting into my business!
SLAM!
Stomp Stomp Stomp
No one...
A REALLY INTERESTING KID...
How were we going to get the consent
PAST LIFE'S SISTER
PAST LIFE'S RIVAL
Ah!
No one can understand my feelings!

Blurrrrrsh~
Shine Shine Shine
Ah...
EVEN THOUGH I DID DO SOMETHING STUPID YESTERDAY, THAT IS NOT HOW YOU SHOULD TREAT YOUR ELDERS!
Did he just call me a...?!
Wha ?
ANGRY
YOU'RE A PERVERT SO DON'T PREACH TO ME
WAIT . YOU'RE . YUUMA-KUN, RIGHT?
THE PERVERT FROM YESTERDAY
Right?
He really is Serena!!
Uoooooo
Damn it!

Se-... Serena...is my old time lover...
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!! YOU DAMNED BRAT!!
OH. YOU'RE ACTUALLY A HOMO BUT YOU HAD A GIRL ONCE
WHO'S SERENA ANYWAY? A MANGA CHARACTER? A REALLY DANGEROUS GUY?
P P P P PERVERT?!!
I'M NOT A HOMO!
I CAN'T STAND HIM ANYMORE!!!
HEY, HEY! I'VE COME TO PLAY~
KEI-CHAN!
Cring cring!
What! This brat! He got me so pissed, I forgot my love for Serena just like that!!
Even if the soul is Serena's, they are two different people entirely! Not only because he's a guy, but his attitude already ticks me off!

Lorelius—!
SERIZAWA'S FAST LIFE'S NAME.
WHO ARE YOU CALLING?
MY friend!
mps!
glo
?
THAT..
WHAT KIND OF GIRL IS SHE?
YOU MESSAGED ME YESTERDAY AND SAID THAT 'SERENA' HAD APPEARED—
Hmm?
THAT KID IS DEFINITELY NOT SERENA. HE HAS A REALLY ROTTEN ATTITUDE!
OH, HMM... BUT HE'S REALLY PRETTY
Even from a girl's point of view!
Shut up!
KEI-CHAN, DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT IF YOU EVER CROSS PATHS WITH SERENA AGAIN, YOU'D DEFINITELY MARRY HER?
Didn't you?
That kid?
EH? ISN'T HE A GUY?
EH, IT'S NATURAL FOR A GUY TO BE SHORT NOW.
GUYS GROW TALLER LATER.
YEAH — YOU'RE GOING TO CALL ME A SHORTY TOO, RIGHT?!
ARE YOU IN MIDDLE SCHOOL?
HELLO! I'M SERIZAWA MII KEI-CHAN'S CLASSMATE

BUT WHEN A GUY LIKE YOU GROWS TALLER, YOU'LL DEFINITELY BE VERY GOOD LOOKING!
...Oh?
Why did this kid's expression...
EH...GOOD LOOKING?
YUP! REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!
...IS THAT YOUR GIRLFRIEND, SERENA?
Though I'm not sure how it became from Serizawa
NO!
YOU'RE THE ONE!
Then I'll see you later, Kei-chan, Yuuma-kun!
SEEING YOU BLUSHING AND ALL, BETTER HURRY AND GROW UP, BRAT!
ANYWAY... YOUR ATTITUDE HAS CHANGED
I-I WASN'T BLUSHING!
JUST... I WAS A BIT .
A BIT WHAT?

BUHOH AHAHA!
I-
I CAN'T HELP IT! NOT WHEN I LOOK LIKE THIS!
WHAT'S WITH THAT! GETTING ALL EMBARRASSED BECAUSE OF THAT?
PUSSED!
BE-
BECAUSE THAT WAS THE FIRST TIME SOMEONE SAID I WAS GOOD LOOKING
I REALLY HATE THAT
ALWAYS BEING MISTAKEN FOR A GIRL
MISTOOK HIM FOR A GIRL AND EVEN HUGGED HIM
URGH...
I have really, really wanted to see you! I can't forget you!
That's because you are Serena! I couldn't help it!
... No...
FORGET IT, I'M USED TO IT ALREADY AND YOU THINK I'M A GIRL TOO
AH.. SOR-
Could he be depressed about his girl-like looks...?
So that's why he was so angry...

Goodbye, Serena...
AH, BUT YOUR STRENGTH IS WAY STRONGER THAN ANY OTHER GUYS.
If I treat him like Serena, I'll just be troubling him.
...No... I should just give up, even if I do continue to think of Serena, in reality, she is now a he...
What to do ?
Y-YEAH!
I AM VERY CONFIDENT WITH MY STRENGTH!
ぽあっ
SFX DAZZLING!
FREEZE

Glance
DOKI DOKI
What? What's with this?! Not good!
Hello, Serena!
Darling~
All I see is this!
Keidai's vision
I must forget it! Or this will turn bad!
DOKI DOKI DOKI
SFX BLURRRRUSH!
GYA-AAA!!
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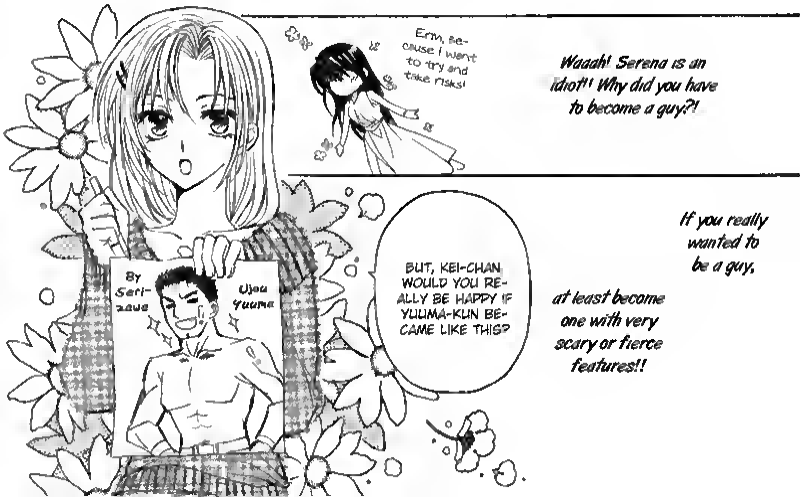
Only this! This is the only thing that is messing my life! Ha!
Panic panic
If this goes on, I'll become a... HOMO!
W-W-W-What now?! I love Serena! But even if I do...


Erm, because I went to try and take risks!
Waaah! Serena is an idiot!! Why did you have to become a guy?!
By Seri-zawa
Ujou Yuuma
BUT, KEI-CHAN WOULD YOU REALLY BE HAPPY IF YUUMA-KUN BECAME LIKE THIS?
If you really wanted to be a guy,
at least become one with very scary or fierce features!!

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KEI-CHAN, SEEMS LIKE YOU'LL REALLY DO IT..
After I kill Serena, I'll kill myself.
I'd die.
SERENA HAS HER OWN LIFE BUT I'M STILL TALKING ABOUT HER NON-STOP
...I KNOW, IT'S BECAUSE OF MY OWN SELFISH NEEDS
Slide!
EH?
YOU REALLY DO... CHERISH HER..
OI! PLAYBOY!

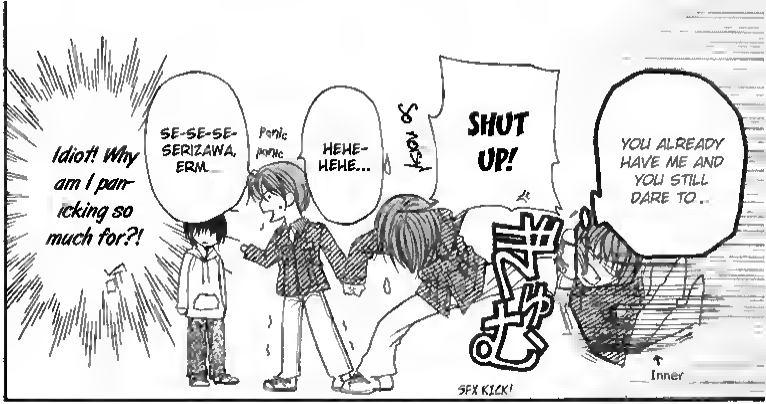
Neighbour greeting from their window

VERY SUSPICIOUS.
BUT YOU TWO ARE ALONE IN A ROOM.
Keidai Vision
HEART, YOU'RE REALL NOISY!
Dok!!
Dok!!
N-NO! MY HEART RATE DIDN'T JUST INCREASE! DEFINITELY DIDN'T!!
THIS IS MY FRIEND!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN... PLAYBOY ...
DOK!!!

THAT'S EVEN MORE SUSPICIOUS.
WE'RE JUST TALKING ABOUT THE GUY SERIZAWA DREW!
AHAHAHA! WHAT WERE YOU SAYING?
Shut up!
NO! MY HEART ONLY HAS YOU...
Inner Keidai
PUNCH!

AH..
ERM.. UH
HEL-LO!
YUUMA-KUN!
UAAH! I GOT TO PUT MY-SELF TO-GETHER!

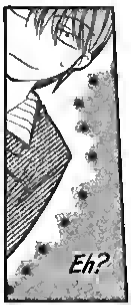
I've got a bad feeling...
W-What's going on...?
Do you still remember me?
Ah, of course!
I'm not that stupid...
Ahaha. I know that!
WHAT?
AHAHA, I KNOW THAT!
OI, YOU OKAY?
EH...
UH...
AH...
SO WHAT IF I DO?
SO ..
SFX: GAN!
YOU LIKE SERI-ZAWA?


Idiot! Why am I panicking so much for?!
SE-SE-SE-SERIZAWA, ERM...
Panic panic
HEHE-HEHE...
SHUT UP!
YOU ALREADY HAVE ME AND YOU STILL DARE TO..
Inner
SFX KICK!

I can't say that!!
Hugs
Yes!
I love you!
What are you doing ?
RIIIP
RIIIP RIIIP

Kei-dai! Visi-on
DO YOU MIND?

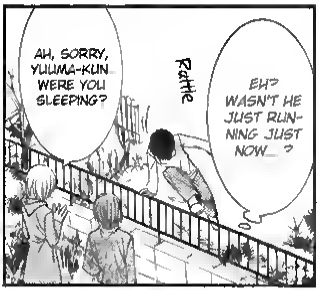
It seems ... Things have gotten...


Eh?

I WON'T LOSE TO YOU.
ANYWAY, I...

gulp gulp gulp
WHAT ARE YOU DOING SO EARLY IN THE MORNING...?
Aren't you cold?
A bit
I'M CURRENTLY DOING SOME RUNNING.
THEN 100 SIT-UPS, 100 PUSH-UPS AND 500 ROPE SKIPS
If you do those, you'll become macho!!
THAT'S WHY I'M DOING THESE.
What are you organized for?
HA HA
Re-lax
KUWAHH!
SO FAR, I'VE DONE A LOT OF TRAINING, BUT STILL NO CHANGES...

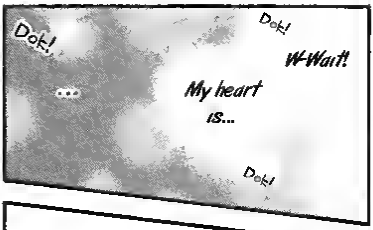
Loreius
Serena
Come to think of it, Serena and Loreius (Serizawa) had a very good relationship...
O-O, what's with my heart beating so quickly? Why should I be shocked... He's a guy...
KEI-CHA~N!
...
Aah.... Is it for Serizawa?
SO I MUST WORK HARDER NOW!
ZUKI!
Er, WHO ARE YOU CALL-ING?
Let's fight!
RAAWR!
So, you have come, Loreius!!
Ouch!
WAIT, SORRY SERIZAWA, DON'T GO BACK FIRST.
Grab
OI, YUUMA, SERIZAWA IS HERE!
AH, I'M THE WORST...
EH?
THEN I'LL GO BACK
IS NOW A BAD TIME?
...


AH, SORRY, YUUMA-KUN WERE YOU SLEEPING?
Rattle
EH? WASN'T HE JUST RUNNING JUST NOW...?

...Oh, so that's it...
Ke-chan, you didn't have to call him over

Yawn
WHAT... YOU'RE REALLY LOUD...

GRABS!
WAAAAH!
THIS MORNING, HE WAS JUST DOING PUSH-UPS HERE...
Don't say it!!
Dies


Dok!
Dok!
W-Wait!
My heart is...
Dok!

Her strength is too strong...
Really dead
...No... Serena...
Uoh!

KYA-AA-AA-AA!!
AND THEN HIS BELOVED'S IMAGE APPEARS
FEMALE KEIDAI

I DON'T WANT OTHERS TO KNOW I'M WORKING OUT TO LOOK MACHO...

DON'T TELL HER THAT!
YES!
OI!
YES!

It's okay...
Even if he's a guy, I still...

Baw! Baw! Baw!
WON'T MAKE PEOPLE FEEL BORED!
THAT GUY IS REALLY INTEREST-ING.
How can that be alright?!!
PLEASE WAKE UP!!! If you don't wake up now, you'll die!!
In order to let Serena think I'm cool, I worked hard too.
But, I can under-stand.
MY MUM GAVE ME TICKETS TO THE AMUSE-MENT PARK, WANT TO GO?
OI, KEI-CHAN
Ahh
Just because of that point, he really does seem like a guy...
Ahh
OH, FREE? SURE...

Y-YUUMA! YOU COME TOO!
...
Za!
N-NO.. I..
YEAH! LET'S GO TOGETHER, YUUMA-KUN!
THEN KEI-CHAN WILL PAY FOR HIS OWN.
UGH!
EH..
EH..
SUCH A HAPPY EXPRESSION—
BUT, OH WELL

EH, WHAT SHOULD WE RIDE FIRST?
As long as Serena is happy.
URA
...Hm?
I GUESS THAT'S THAT
IF IT'S SERIZAWA, I CAN LET HER HAVE SERENA.
Kei-chan! let's play this!
I THINK I SAID IT WRONG
RUMBLE
THEY'RE BOTH GIRLS

HIIIIIIIIII!!
YOU'RE REALLY USELESS
ANGRY!
Uhuh
THEN, LET'S GO IN THERE!
SIGN HAUNTED HOUSE
GRRR!
YOU ARE USE-LESS.
Y-YOU'RE REALLY AN ANNOYING BRAT...
Gulp
CREEPY~
THIS IS QUITE...
Glance
OH.. OH..

It's every man's dream to be hugged in a haunted house!
Yes! I did it!
Hi hi hi!
Kya
This isn't Jeal!
Is a guy too.
But, the other
Scared
Scared
SFX: AM!!
Kya ha ha ha ha
THEN I'LL GO AHEAD FIRST!
Ah!
SE-SERIZAWA-SAN WAIT!
TREMBLE
SFX: SHOCK!!
GYAAAA!!!
YOU TWO ARE REALLY USELESS
Kyaaa!
Noooo!
Clutter clutter
Loreius! Don't leave!
IT WAS ACTUALLY REALLY FUN!
Scared
SERIZAWA .YOU'RE REALLY LIKE A GUY...

AH...
...I'M GOING TO BUY DRINKS

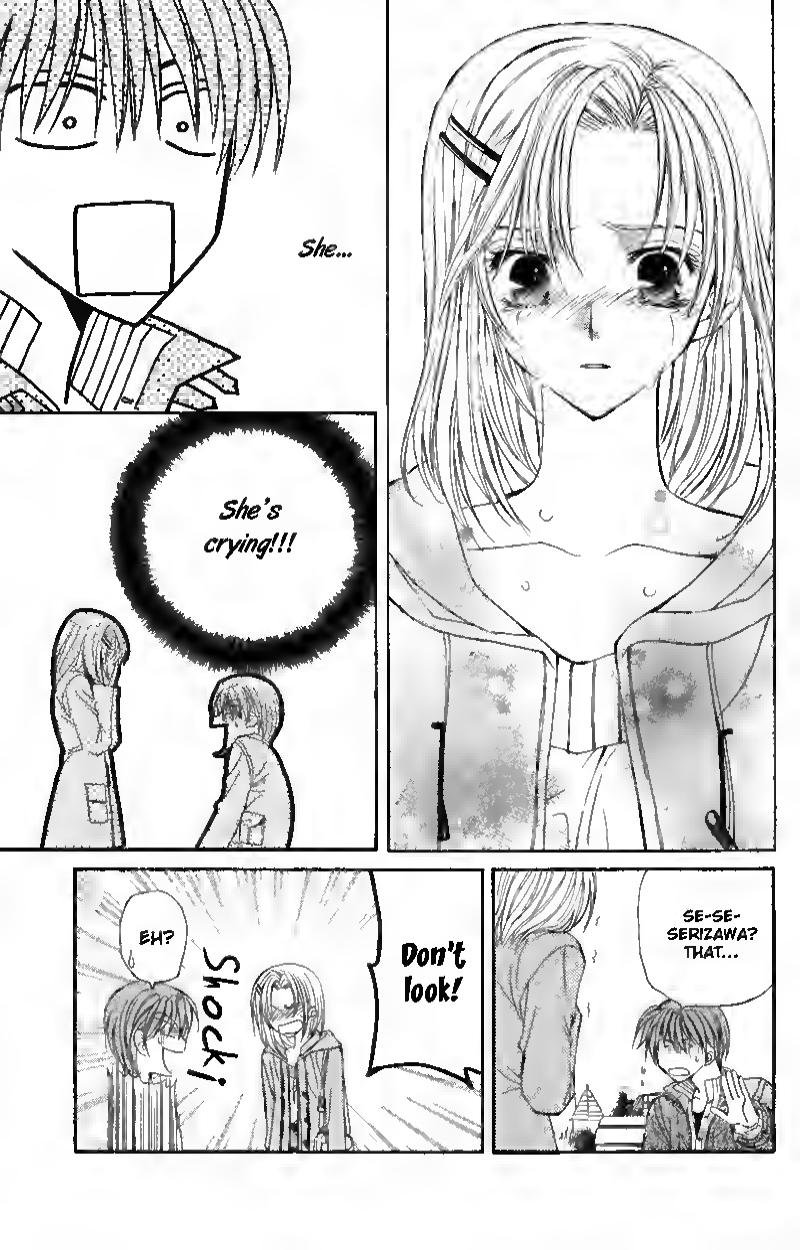
...
WHAT? IT'S PROBABLY KEI-CHAN WHO IS TOO USELESS!
SHUT UP!
STA
RE

Damn, did we ignore him?

This is that person's... Happiness, right?
He likes Serizawa. So...
He is now 'Yuuma'...
Even though that guy is 'Serena'...
I must support him!
Such a lonesome face...
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YUUMA-KUN?
Was I too merry just now...?

Further more,
KEI-CHAN, WHY ARE YOU BEING SO SERIOUS?
Serizawa ...
SERIZAWA, YOU'RE REALLY CUTE.
EH... EH?!
W-WHY ARE YOU SAYING THAT SUDDENLY?!
NO, YOU'RE REALLY CUTE
WHY HAVEN'T I REALIZED THIS BEFORE...?

K-..
KEI-CHAN
REALLY ...
YOU AND YUUMA WILL MAKE A GOOD COUPLE
EH?
A PRETTY GUY AND GIRL! ISN'T THAT GOOD?
YOU SAID SO YOURSELF, THAT YUUMA WILL BE VERY GOOD LOOKING WHEN HE GROWS UP.
I REALLY DO LOVE SERENA, BUT I THINK IT'S TIME I FORGET ABOUT HER.
IF IT'S YOU, I WOULD...


She...
She's crying!!!
SE-SE-SERIZAWA? THAT...
Don't look!
EH?
Shock!

Seri-zawa?!
R-ROGER!
Turn around!
..W-WHAT TO DO?!
SCURRY
SERI-ZAWA!
YOU...
AH!
SFX PUNCH!

WHY DID YOU MAKE HER CRY?!!
IDIOT!!
What am I doing...?
AH... THAT WAS PAINFUL
...
So strange...
Why did I make Serena angry?
Why did I make Lorelus cry?

N-No!
Because those two...
I got to find them...
And the one angry is Yuuma...
The one crying is Serizawa...
Are my most precious friends!
WHERE DID THOSE TWO RUN OFF TO?
RUSTLE
AH!
Thud

YUUMA!
O-OI! WHAT'S WRONG? WHERE'S SERIZAWA?
SHUT UP! LET GO OF ME!
DID YOU FIND SERI-ZAWA?
YOU CAN'T ASK ME THAT! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO MADE HER CRY!
SINCE YOU DON'T LIKE HER, THEN DON'T GO AFTER HER!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME WORRY-ING FOR HER?
THAT GIRL IS MY MOST IMPORTANT BEST FRIEND!!

AH! WHAT DID I DO THIS TIME?!
Ughhh
SE-SERIZA WA..
HM?
SHE SAID SHE'D LOOK FOR US WHEN SHE CALMED DOWN AND THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO SEARCH FOR HER NOW...
IS THAT SO .
I GOT RE-JECTED.
THEN, WHY ARE YOU CRY-ING...?
...

"DON'T WORRY, I WON'T GIVE UP BECAUSE OF THIS."
THEN... WHY.
"I REALLY LIKE IKE-CHAN."
I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING, BUT...
EH? YOU CONFESSED TO HER?
BUT... BEING ABLE TO SAY SOMETHING THIS IMPORTANT AND ALL.
piles piles
HATE
HA-TE
STAB
NUHH!
I HATE YOU.
I COULDN'T SAY IT.
I'M NOT LIKE A GUY AT ALL.
I REALLY HATE THIS PART OF ME...
I THOUGHT...
IT WAS REALLY COOL.

You really make me confused.
YOU'RE REALLY MANLY.
WHEN YOU PUNCHED ME JUST NOW,
YOU WERE REALLY COOL...
You even amaze me.
I'M SURE IF SERIZAWA SAW YOU THEN, SHE WOULD HAVE FALLEN FOR YOU.
even so...
Even though when I finally found you, you were a guy...But,
I've always been thinking about you...
..I DO
No matter what...
I'm really happy that I could meet you here.
THAT WAS BECAUSE I WAS TOO RASH
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND ME
URA

I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU WAY BEFORE 1900.

AHA HA HA HA HA HA HA
Uwaaah! Uwaaah! Even when I finally decided not to tell at all!
Damn! This is bad! He'll definitely be shocked!
BOOM
Why did I say that all of a sudden?!!
Quiet interrupted
OOO!!
SHOCK!

YOU'RE REALLY INTERESTING
I'LL SAVE THAT LINE
AH?

1900? THE YEAR GAP IS REALLY BIG!
EH?

He... He mistook it as a joke...
Good too
BUT, THANK YOU,
I'VE CHEERED UP.

Yumma's expression when he laughs...
COMPARED TO 1900, I'VE STILL GOT A LONG WAY TO GO!
FOR THE EXERCISE TRAINING, I'LL DO MY BEST!!
URA
Without a doubt, he's a guy.
Serizawa came back with her usual expression.
SORRY ABOUT THAT SO WHAT NOW?
As if telling me not to ask anything.
Clings
EHE!

AH, LOOK!
SUCH A BEAUTIFUL SUNSET!
Smiles
As I looked up...
'Look!'
Saeki Keida, isn't that bad, right?'
Holding hands with everyone...
In front of me was the red Ferris wheel.
For the first time, I realized I was living here.

OI, WAIT, I WANT TO CHANGE SOMETHING
HM?
To me, it was as if..
I DON'T HATE YOU.
BLU
SH
SERENA, YOU IDIOT!!
There you go again!
Faraway Pompeii was gently whispering to me...

Happy Third Year Anniversary
Ochibichan-scan!!
Boy love is love! <3
- Cheezy
THIS IS A SHOUJO GROUP D:!!

Ochibichan-scan presents:

NG Life

- Kusanagi Mizuho -

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To Nik (aka Craxx <3)~

Though you've just joined our family not too long ago, but it already seems like you've been with us forever! Especially since you sta- *cough* you edited a lot of pretty chapters for us!

For your special day we've prepared an extra-super-duper-hasn't even appeared in our scanlations - SPECIAL guest for you! Of course we won't tell you who he is but I'm sure you'll figure out who this cute kid is! *hint- He's a character in your favourite series xP!*

Well we wish you a very happy and wonderful birthday, may all your lovely wishes come true and we hope you'll always have these precious memories with you!
(And hopefully be able to figure out who this guy is soon 3)

Happy Birthday Craxxy!!

From Your Ochibichan-scan Family <3!

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KEIDAI'S ATTACK PLAN
PARALLEL WORLD①
UNDERSTANDING A MODEL STUDENT
OI KUON, THAT'S MY COFFEE MANJUU!
I'M THE MAIN CHARACTER, THE STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT KUON REN
munch munch
UMM... THAT SMELLS WEIRD...
HERE IS A SPECIAL DRINK!
HELLO EVERYONE, I'M SAEKI KEIDAI FROM NG LIFE
EH... CALM DOWN CALM DOWN.
IT LOOKS PRETTY GOOD FROM THE SIDELINES
THAT'S REALLY NG
I...HAVE MEMORIES OF A PAST LIFE. MY BELOVED WIFE FROM THAT PAST LIFE... IS NOW A GUY IN THIS LIFE, AND I STILL HAVE VERY STRONG FEELINGS FOR HER. IT PUTS ME IN A DANGEROUS POSITION.
An embarrassing confession
SAEKI
OH, DID YOU JUST SAY YOU WERE SOMEONE FROM NG?
SO YOURS WOULD BE CONSIDERED AN OKAY LIFE
I'VE EVEN PUNCHED A MODEL STUDENT BECAUSE I HATED HIM
TAKE ME FOR INSTANCE, WHILE I WAS IN JUNIOR HIGH, I DID ○○ AND ○, ALSO ○○○ AND SO ON. I WAS NEARLY ARRESTED BY THE POLICE..
↑ Censored due to the explicit nature of the misdemeanours
UNDERSTANDING A MODEL STUDENT
The Illuminating Stories of a Yankee Student President
A debut production.
PARALLEL WORLD① /END
JUST SO YOU KNOW THAT "MODEL STUDENT" WAS ME
punch
Yup, I'm a model student. ♡
grin
A yankee?
ISN'T THE THEME "UNDERSTANDING A MODEL STUDENT"?

THE WINNER IS SYRACUSE LUCRETIUS FRONTO!
STRIKE!
AD 76.
THE ARENA AT POMPEII, ITALY.
SYRA-CUSE!
LOREIUS!
I'M SO GLAD, SO GLAD! I'M SO PROUD TO HAVE YOU AS MY FRIEND YOU MANAGED TO DEFEAT THE LION!
Haha!
YOU'RE EXAGGERATING I WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOU

SELENA!
SYRACUSE ...
YOU PROMISED, SELENA, THAT IF I WERE VICTORIOUS IN THE ARENA, YOU WOULD AGREE TO MARRY ME...

KE~i CHAN! GET UP!
SYRA-CU.
Pompeii... The goddess Venus, please bless me!
SELENA ...

Ah... I truly am fortunate!
IF YOU DON'T FIND IT A BOTHER, I ACCEPT ...

HUH?
MORNING, KEI CHAN.
..A dream...?
Tears
I FINALLY GOT SELENA TO ACCEPT MY PROPOSAL!
YOU JUST GOT UP AND YOU'RE ALREADY DAYDREAMING!
Pillow

THAT WASN'T A DREAM, THAT WAS MY PAST LIFE!
YEAH, YEAH.
pulls
♪~
Making fun of you is really fun. Ah innocence is bliss
I, Saeki Keidai (17 years old), have memories of a past life.
1900 years ago, I lived in the beautiful city of Pompeii, and was a youth called Syracuse.
HEY, YOU REALLY LIKE SELENA, DON'T YOU?
IS SHE REALLY THAT GREAT?
OF COURSE!
OBVIOUSLY

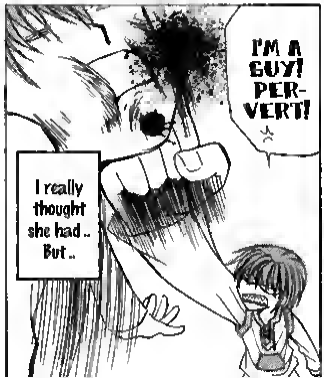
Selena was as beautiful as Aphrodite, as gentle as an angel, and an astounding woman!
You could say that all the men in Pompeii worshipped at her feet!
Kei-chan is scary.
After that, the volcanic eruption brought the fate of Pompeii to a tragic end...
Despite my death, I could not forget Selena or my friends.

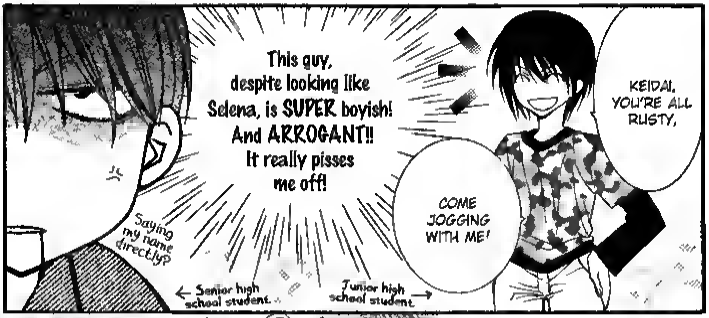
Perfect Friendship
But I'm the only one who remembers his past life.
Lorelus was my partner in everything, from sparring to drinking.
In my past life, Mii was Lorelus, my MALE best friend.
For example, my classmate, Serizawa Mii.
Yet in the current era, I still have my friends from my past life.
BUT, WHY ARE YOU SO SURE THAT I'M LORELUS?
THE COLOUR OF YOUR SOUL... I ONLY HAVE TO LOOK AT YOUR EYES TO KNOW IT
HOW COULD I MISTAKE MY BEST FRIEND?
R... REALLY?
AND, IF IT WEREN'T YOU, I WOULDN'T BE TELLING YOU ABOUT HAVING A PAST LIFE.
The only people that I know from my past life are Serizawa and my parents.
HEY... I'M COMING IN TO DO THE MORNING CALL!
Appears
And...

SE...
You two really are a couple, aren't you?
SELENA!
AWWW
SFX: DASH
SFX: PUNCH!
I'M A GUY!

SORRY, YUUMA-KUN, I'M NOT FULLY AWAKE YET.
I have a REALLY big problem.
What power
YOU KNOW I REALLY MIND ABOUT LOOKING LIKE A GIRL!
You looking for a fight?!
STOP CONFUSING ME WITH A GIRL AGAIN!

My beloved wife from my past life, has reincarnated in this life as a **GUY**.




This guy, despite looking like Selena, is SUPER boyish! And ARROGANT!! It really pisses me off!
KEIDAI, YOU'RE ALL RUSTY,
COME JOGGING WITH ME!
Saying my name directly?
← Senior high school student.
Junior high school student →

Pouts
SO...
I DON'T WANT TO,
GO JOGGING ON YOUR OWN!
KYN
STAB!
CUTE...

I mustn't have heart thumping feelings! He's a guy!
Even though Selena's soul is in him, he's still a GUY!
SNAP!
AH!
YUUMA-KUN, ARE YOU TRAINING? THAT'S REALLY COOL!
Damn!
I don't get what you're doing but
YOU'RE REALLY INTERESTING.
I REALLY HATE MYSELF FOR STILL HAVING THE HOTS FOR A GUY...
BAM!
BAM!

This is a confusing three-way relationship..
BLU—
—SH!
NO. I'M NOT REALLY IN TRAINING
These two whom I see as Lorelus and Selena,
they're almost completely different people in this life.
It's said that a person's soul has decided its life even before birth
Gender, environment, and the people you are fated to meet...
It can't be that I wanted my life to happen this way.

NO! This kind of life is really NO GOOD!

AT SCHOOL... FOURTH PERIOD. MATH.
write write
BUT...ON THE OTHER HAND..
SAEKI!
PLEASE COME FORWARD AND SOLVE THIS PROBLEM
Is it Selena that wanted to be reincarnated as a male...
AMAZING, SUCH A DIFFICULT QUESTION
THAT'S SAEKI FOR YOU
HE'S TALL AND HANDSOME
Could it be, Selena..
Wanted to break up with me, and that's why she came back as a guy?

He's so sensitive
BUT... HE'S NOT DEPENDABLE!
Go on, Saeki!
No one's scolding you
SAEKI YOU GOT THE ANSWER RIGHT, THERE'S NO NEED TO CRY!
Uuuuu...
Break!
FIFTH PERIOD. P.E
It's true, Yuuma even said he hated me.
TAD TAD TAD
Maybe even his soul hates me.
Kyaaa
SAEKI-KUN IS SO FAST!
DON'T CRY IF YOU FALL OVER, SAEKI-KUN!
BUT I WANT TO SEE A CRYING SAEKI-KUN TOO...
Saeki is surprisingly popular
What if it's true?
TAD TAD

It's making me depressed!
A GUY IN THE MIDST OF WANDERING THOUGHTS, WHO'S ALSO SHOOTING HOOPS
Kyaa! Saeki-kun!
SELENA...
YOU'RE SUCH A CRUEL WOMAN
IN THE EVENING AFTER SCHOOL
ARE YOU DRUNK?
AH—DID SELENA COME BACK AS A GUY BECAUSE SHE WANTS TO BREAK UP WITH ME?
THEN WHY WOULD LOREIUS COME BACK AS A GIRL?
What are you talking about?
BECAUSE YOU'D BE ABLE TO PLAY WITH MAKE UP.. And other stuff
SMACK!
SAEKI-SENPAI!

I don't like going out. When I'm working, I'll definitely hide out at home, and at other times, I'll probably not go out either.

Recently, however, it could be because I've been hiding out at home too much, that I get the feeling that I want to go out. I don't know what the reason is, but I just want to get out! I want to go shopping! I want to eat delicious ramen (this is pretty normal)! Going out really isn't suitable for someone with my job. Even if I bought cute clothes, wearing them at home is such a waste. (So I want to go out even more...)

A great author once said that one must go out and experience the world, for the sake of creating more interesting stories, but I... am not so great. I end up enjoying myself thoroughly, and forget about the research for work. So hiding at home is probably better for me.

UM, SAEKI-SENPAI, YOU'RE ALWAYS WITH THAT GIRL.
CAN WE TALK TO YOU ABOUT SOMETHING?
ARE YOU TWO DATING?
THAT'S GREAT, YUIKO!
THEN YOU'RE NOT ATTACHED?
YOU MEAN SERIZAWA? YOU'VE MISUNDERSTOOD.
THAT GIRL?
UM, I.. THAT IS..
THAT'S BAD.
DO SERIZAWA AND I LOOK LIKE WE'RE IN THAT KIND OF RELATIONSHIP?

WA!
SHOCK!
HUH?
YEAH!
IS THAT ALRIGHT, SENPAI?
GLOOM
GLOOM
This might hurt Yuuma... And I don't want to make him hate me even more.
..IT'S LIKE THIS ..
AND IT'S NO ONE LESS THAN SAEKI-SENPAI
YUIKO IS VERY CUTE I KNEW THAT SHE WOULD GET A BOY-FRIEND REALLY EASILY
CHINATSU, STOP IT!
EH?!
EH?
THAT'S GREAT, YUIKO! SENPAI AGREED TO GO OUT WITH YOU
WHAAAAT?!!
This...
Wait a minute
Eh!
shine!
Please Senpai! ♡ take care of me.

SFX: DON!

どんっ

What am I doing?
What am I doing?!
...Is this also what I want?!
OH MY SOUL!
Uoooo!
How...how did this happen? When did I say okay?
Go for it, Saeki!
Gee, Saeki's going nuts again

-ON!
Nooooo!
Doo
LET'S WALK HOME TOGETHER ♡
AH! SERIZAWA! SERIZAWA, LET ME TELL YOU!
KEI-CHAN, WHAT'S UP? LET'S GO HOME!
Hand around
Freeze!
SAEKI-SENPAI! ♡

AH... UM...
THAT FIRST YEAR GIRL...
WHAT'S UP WITH HER?
SERIZAWA-SENPAI
SAEKI-SENPAI SAID THAT HE'D GO OUT WITH ME,
KEI-CHAN... IS THAT TRUE...?
...UH... UM... YEAH...
...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! WHY? AREN'T YOU ALWAYS GOING ON ABOUT SELENA THIS AND SELENA THAT? I THOUGHT THAT YOU'D BE MORE LIKELY TO GO FOR YUUMA-KUN THAN GO FOR A GIRL AT ALL!
Uwaaaah!
DON'T SAY IT LIKE I'M A PERVERT OR SOMETHING~!
POINT
YOU...

I WANT TO ENJOY A NORMAL HIGH SCHOOL LIFE TOO!
YEAH, YOU'RE REALLY ENJOYING IT...
BAM!
OSHINO-SAN, I'LL WALK YOU HOME. WHERE DO YOU LIVE?
Please tell me where you live too, Saeki-senpai. ♡
...
IS SENPAI'S HOUSE CLOSE BY?
OH.. YEAH...
WHAT DO I DO? I CAN'T REALLY SAY THAT IT WAS JUST A MISTAKE..
AND I CAN'T EVEN DISCUSS IT WITH SERIZAWA
WHAT A CUTE GIRL...
IF I REJECT HER, SHE'LL PROBABLY CRY!

YU-
OH... OUH...
YO.
YUUMA ?!!
WHERE'S SERIZAWA-SAN?
WE'RE NOT TOGETHER TODAY.
AH.. MY NEIGHBOUR.
IS THIS A FRIEND OF SENPAI'S?
I SO DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU NOW.

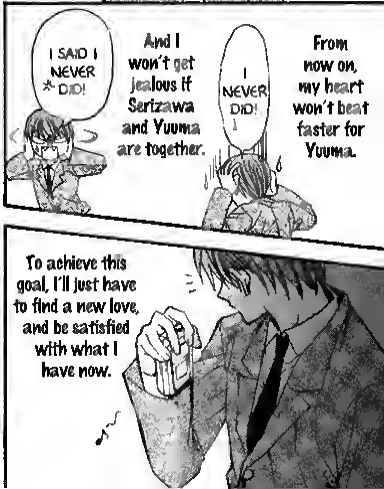
OH ..
BECAUSE YOUR GAZE PIERCES RIGHT THROUGH ME.
SENPAI, DO YOU USUALLY WALK HOME WITH SERIZA-WA-SAN?
EEEH ?!
YEAH, BECAUSE WE LIVE CLOSE TO EACH OTHER.
...
AH! WHAT ABOUT OSHINO-SAN'S PLACE? I NEED TO SEND YOU HOME...
Ah!
Not today!
My heart is beating so fast, I can't bear to stay with senpai!
Waaah... So cute...
I'LL SEND YOU A MESSAGE LATER.
SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW
Oh... HAVE A SAFE WALK HOME
THAT GIRL ...
WHO IS SHE?

WHAT ABOUT SERIZA-WA-SAN?!
!
I TOLD YOU THAT SERIZAWA AND I DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF RELATION-SHIP...
...
...GIRL-FRIEND..
GLARE!
HE'S MAD?
SHE'S 100 TIMES CUTER!
AH... YOU'RE RIGHT, YOU'RE RIGHT.
YOU LIKE SERIZAWA THE BEST, RIGHT?
SNARLS
YOU'RE BIASED, OSHINO-SAN IS...
...SERIZA-WA-SAN IS VERY CUTE.
BLUSH
THEN, DO YOU REALLY LIKE THAT GIRL?!
SHOCK!
O-OF COURSE. SHE'S A GOOD GIRL AND SHE'S CUTE.
...
sweat during

DO YOU LIKE HER MORE THAN YOU LIKE SELENA?
RIGHT STRAIGHT!
Y-Y-Y-YOU HOW COULD YOU ASK THAT
BECAUSE SHE'S YOUR PREVIOUS LOVER, AND YOU KEEP GOING ON AND ON ABOUT HER!
Well, if you really like her more, then I'll admit it!
UUUUU I REALLY WANT TO SHOUT OUT LOUD THAT YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE FOR ME...
Please stop these visions!

I can't lie to Selena...
...ALRIGHT, I'LL TELL YOU THE WHOLE STORY.
WHAT?! YOU ACCIDENTALLY AGREED?!
...YUP.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING... YOU REALLY ARE AN IDIOT...
WELL, I NEVER THOUGHT THAT SOMEONE WOULD CONFESS TO ME...
SO? YOU WERE TOO EMBARRASSED TO SAY NO?
THEN I'LL DO IT FOR YOU!
WAIT!
STOP IT!
WHY?
...I DON'T WANT TO HURT HER

I'M HAPPY THAT SHE FEELS THAT WAY ABOUT ME
BECAUSE IT TAKES A LOT OF COURAGE FOR A PERSON TO CONFESS.
There's one thing I'm sure of.
THAT'S TRUE BUT..
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
LYING TO HER IS EVEN WORSE!
THAT I UNDERSTAND BUT
...
Yuuma really likes Serizawa.
But does Yuuma's soul also want to like Serizawa?
If that's the future that Selena chooses...
WHY DON'T YOU TELL SERIZAWA THAT YOU LIKE HER?
FORGET ABOUT ME


I SAID I NEVER DID!
And I won't get jealous if Serizawa and Yuuma are together.
I NEVER DID!
From now on, my heart won't beat faster for Yuuma.
To achieve this goal, I'll just have to find a new love, and be satisfied with what I have now.

BEEP.

> Okay. ^_^ Where to?

is that why they thought we were a pair?
I was always hanging around with Serizawa,
ACTUALLY, THIS IS MY FIRST TIME ON A DATE..
In this life that is
What am I thinking? I've already decided!
BUT I WON'T BE ABLE TO HANG AROUND WITH SERIZAWA IN THE FUTURE IT'S GOING TO BE SO LONELY...
I really don't have any other close friends C'
SENPAI!
NO, IT'S OKAY.
SHE'S CUTE.
SORRY, DID YOU WAIT LONG?
I'll try liking this girl!

Yuuma and Serizawa...!
WEDDING
Forget about me, and live a happy life..
drags drags
BONK!
What? Are they dating too?
SE LE NA!
ERM... DID KEI-CHAN SEE US JUST NOW?
DON'T WORRY
I am cool, calm, and collected.
fwu!
I'm amazing...
mochi-mochi
Rest well...

A lot of girls have appeared in NG Life, it's great! Oh, but only Serizawa and Selena are the main characters. In this chapter, there's also Keidai's accidental girlfriend, Oshino-san Yuuma pretty much looks like a girl, so in my mind, the only guy around is Keidai.

His usual expression is one of anguish, and it's so easy to draw (laugh). On the other hand, the girls are more difficult to draw. It's so much work drawing Selena and the others.

Keidai's character design is of a handsome guy, but he's not a hot bishie type; the feeling you get is that he's one of the better-looking guys in class. Among my current work, the cutest guys would have to be the Ura or Hakuou type. I'm happy to be able to re-draw some of my previous characters for a new collection.

YUUMA-KUN, LET'S FORGET ABOUT THIS!
I KNOW THAT KEI-CHAN AGREED BY ACCIDENT.
BUT SINCE HE'S ALREADY MADE HIS MIND UP TO GO ON THIS DATE, THERE'S NO POINT IN OUR STALKING HIM.
I'M NOT STALKING HIM. I JUST WANTED TO GO SHOPPING.
REALLY~~
That guy... What "confession"? I've already been forgotten!
ANGER ANGER
KEIDAI, IF YOU LET SERIZAWA CRY EVER AGAIN,
I'LL KILL YOU!
SHOCK!

HA!
SENPAI? LET'S GO!
WHY DID I SUDDENLY FEEL YUUMA-SAMA'S MURDEROUS AURA...?
I'm on a date right now!
No way, no way! It's got nothing to do with Yuuma,
bloom bloom~
Speaking of dates...
THE STORY OF A DATE WITH SELENA
I'M SORRY, SELENA...
WHAT HAPPENED? WHY ARE YOU ALL HURT...
Limp
SYRACUSE-SAMA!

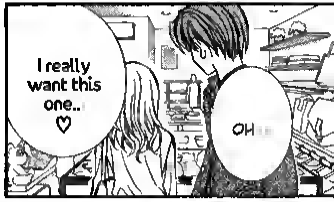
IT'S ALRIGHT, SYRACUSE-SAMA.
AH...
HAS BECOME THIS...
THE NECKLACE THAT I WANTED TO GIVE TO YOU
smashed...
Because Selena is a highly sought-after bride Syracuse has to fight to get to her
?
VIVA! Selena!
Selena is happy with this.

I was so touched that I thought that I would die!
This is what stole my heart,
It's even better if you get to hold hands with her!
For guys, a girl that's gentle and warm is a must,
HA

THIS PAIR OF LOVERS' RINGS IS SO CUTE!
SENPAI, LOOK AT THIS!
Isn't this very rude to the girl I'm dating?
Ah, what am I doing daydreaming.. I've already decided to forget about Selena!
shoo shoo!

No way! That's a five-figure price tag!

...Eh? It's like...
SHE'S HINTING AT ME TO BUY THEM FOR HER
Um... But... They're lovers' rings, so do I have to buy one too?


I really want this one.. ♡
OH

Senpai, I don't have money.....
IF YOU REALLY WANT IT, LET'S GET THE SHOP ASSIS-TANT!

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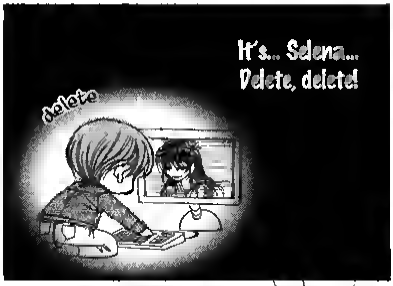


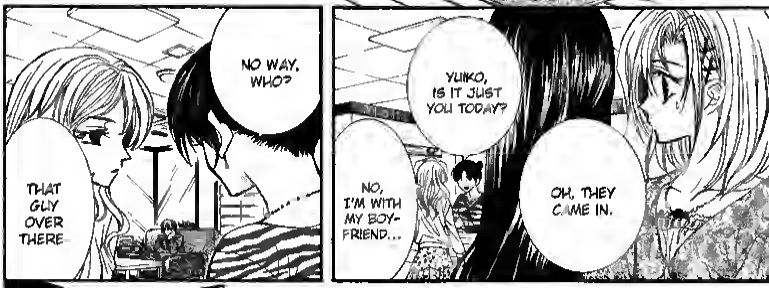
Selena is happy with just this.

Is their date going well...?
...
Alright... Just like this, I'll be able to view Yuuma as an arrogant junior high school student!
Aaah?
Oi...

WHAT IS THIS?
Yuuma-kun is soooo cute! ♡
DON'T CALL ME CUTE! ☆
HEY, WHAT?!
Let's put the wig on too.. ♡
WHY DO I HAVE TO...
STOP STRUGGLING
SELENA IS REALLY, VERY CUTE!

AH...?
I HEARD THAT YUUMA-KUN LOOKS A LOT LIKE SELENA.
I KEEP THINKING THAT THE PERSON, WHO WILL TAKE KEI-CHAN FROM ME, IS SELENA.
EVEN SO,
AS LONG AS WE REMAIN FRIENDS, I CAN ALWAYS BE BY HIS SIDE
YUIKO, IT'S BEEN A WHILE

Keidai → who was left behind
IN THE CAFÉ NEXT DOOR.
Aah!
Sale


NO WAY. WHO?
THAT GUY OVER THERE
YUIKO, IS IT JUST YOU TODAY?
NO, I'M WITH MY BOY-FRIEND...
OH, THEY CAME IN.

WHAT?
I'M ONLY DATING HIM BECAUSE MY FRIENDS KEPT NAGGING ME TO.
BUT HE'S BORING.
And he won't pay for my stuff
WELL, IT'S NOT BAD
OH? IS HIS PERSONALITY NO GOOD?
YEAH - HE JUST HAS THE LOOKS
THAT GUY? HE'S PRETTY CUTE!
LOOKS

HE'S NOT WHAT I THOUGHT.
SO I'M GOING TO DUMP HIM.
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING
NO, IT'S ALRIGHT
ARE YOU HUNGRY? WANT TO EAT SOMETHING?
SENPAI, I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU.
HMM?
I WANT TO BREAK UP.
MENU

!?
I'M SORRY... I THOUGHT I LIKED YOU, BUT...
Pardon?
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME,
thump
SAEKI-SAN!
What?
I THINK I GOT CONFUSED...
What is she saying?
SORRY...
She was the one...
step step
Swish!

WHO ARE YOU?
EH?
I'm Saeki-san's lover, Serena*
Nice to meet you,
Wow.. Where is she from?
She's very cute..
SAEKI-SAN'S SUCH A PLAYBOY. YOU'RE FLIRTING WITH GIRLS AGAIN...
LOVER?!
What?!
YES, ARE YOU SAEKI-SAN'S FRIEND?
SAEKI-SAN?
BECAUSE... I'M THE ONE YOU LOVE MOST, AREN'T I?
BUT, HE'S ALREADY GOT ME, SO HE REALLY DOESN'T NEED YOU!

*"Re" and "Le" are actually said/written the same way in Japanese. Here the mangaka uses Kana to write Serena rather than the usual Katakana. So to make things less confusing, we changed it to Serena from our usual Selena.

EH...
WAIT A MINUTE!
SENPAI! IS SHE REALLY YOUR LOVER?
BAM!
NO... SHE'S...
EH...?
POUR POUR
WHAAAT?!
MY WIFE.
IT'S REALLY SELENA...
SELENA
GRABS
SQUEEEEEE!
GYAAAA!

YOU DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO SAY THAT
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!
...
I WANT TO PUNCH HIM!!
shake shake
BECAUSE YOU DON'T EVEN UNDERSTAND KEI-CHAN.
OI!
It's true
SELENA REALLY IS HIS LOVER.
JUST TO MAKE ME LOOK BAD?!
SERIZAWA-SENPAI...! DID YOU PLAN THIS?!
!!!
turns
KEI-CHAN?
THIS..
AH?! WHA... YUUMA?!
pats
OK! KEI-CHAN, GET A GRIP.
LET ME GO, IDIOT

I BOUGHT THIS JUST NOW. EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT A LOVERS' RING..
I'VE ALSO HURT YOU, SO PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS AN APOLOGY..
I'M SORRY!
Aah! YUUMA JUST NOW..
WHAT!
I DID IT TO PISS THAT GIRL OFF! BUT YOU.. THERE ARE LIMITS TO BEING A GOOD GUY!
A dream that couldn't come true

WELL, I WAS WRONG...
THAT'S RIGHT! IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!
THAT'S GOING TOO FAR.
SINCE IT WAS MY FAULT, WHY DID YOU INTERFERE?
YOU EVEN CROSS-DRESSED...
I nearly forgot who I was!
IT'S BECAUSE I WAS ANGRY.
THE ONLY ONES WHO TRULY UNDERSTAND KEI-CHAN, ARE YUUMA-KUN AND I.
I JUST DIDN'T LIKE THAT GIRL
BUT, WAS THAT BECAUSE OF KEI-CHAN?
NO WAY!
It's said that a person's soul...
...

That you two also...
Chose to be by my side...?
HE~Y, KEI-CHAN ..
Decides its life even before it's reborn.
So even if there are hardships...
Could it be...
The reason why I am here, the reason why I have these feelings...
Isn't only because I hoped for them...
THANK YOU...

That's why we were reincarnated to meet again...

I like you two very much!
YOU ARE AN INTERESTING GUY!
I'M NOT CRYING!!
Sob sob
AH... WHY ARE YOU CRYING AGAIN?

scene 2 / END

*Mugen Spiral is another of Mizuho Kusanagi sensei's works.

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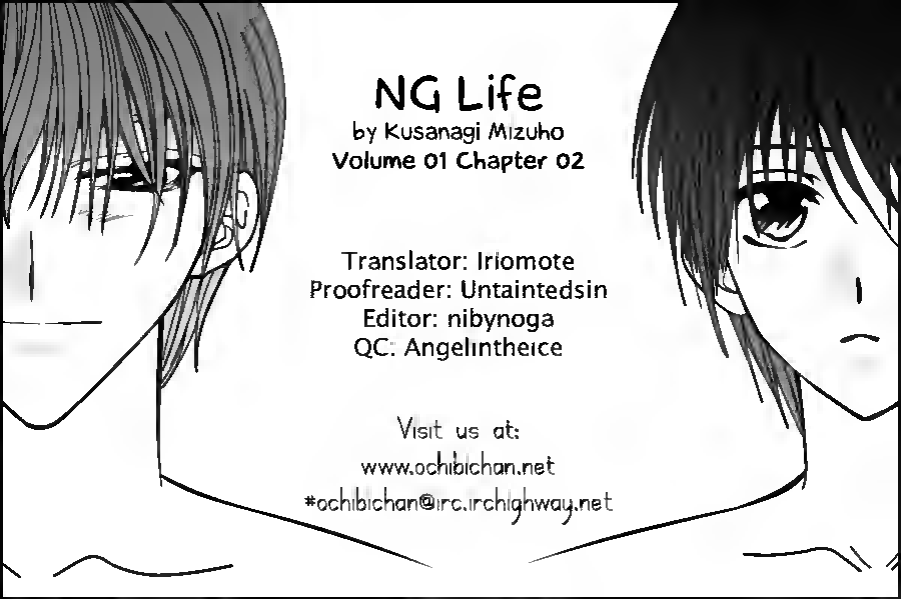
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To the bunny-giving
Reiko/ReikOBsueve-!

You were a part of the OS Family even before it could be called a Family. Always lurking around the channel and giving out bunnies. Yet, your road wasn't all sweet, being neglected at the start, and only being given notice till a year ago. So, we (mioko) are really sorry and hope you'll forgive us (mioko)! We would never have been able to become the HQ/MQ, fun and active group without you!!

So, on your special day, we decided to wrap up your two favourite characters, the wittiest of our Family, in their most energetic and power-pumped forms! Otani and Risa from Lovely Complex for your utter amusement!!

We wish you a very happy, fun and wonderful birthday, may all your desires and wishes come true and we hope you'll continue to have special memories with us!

Happy Birthday Reiko!

From your
Ochibichan-scan Family!

NG LIFE
scene3

HE'S JUST JOKING. DON'T WORRY! SORRY ABOUT THAT!
It's a mystery why Keidai would need a bodyguard
NEED A BODYGUARD? I'LL DO IT FOR ONE MILLION A DAY.
WHAT?!
That's expensive!
Keidai Kuns "In Your Face Parallel World" #3 Game x Rush Version
-MORI-SAAAN! WANNA PLAY TOO!
THIS GUY'S A BODYGUARD? BUT HE'S SKINNIER THAN ME!
I will protect you!
NOW, PLEASE TELL ME MORE ABOUT WHAT YOU NEED!
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t Complete Two-Volume Set
lespable bodyguard
mart
mysterious youth,
ir
tale of their fateful bond
allel World #3
THAT'LL BE A MILLION YEN CANCELLATION FEE.
UH... UMM... I THINK I'LL JUST GO HOME AFTER A--
I TOLD YOU NOT TO COME WITHIN A 2-KILOMETER RADIUS OF ME.
OOH, YOU'RE SOOO SCARY. AN ASSASSIN'S GOT NOTHING ON YOU!

SIRIX!
SIRIX!
WHAT WERE YOU SPACING OUT OVER?
ARIA. LOLEUS.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, BIG BROTHER?
HM?
I WAS JUST WONDERING WHO THE DAUGHTER OF THE SURGEON'S FAMILY MIGHT BE..
SIRIX!!
AHH!

WELL, SHE'S FAMOUS FOR HER BEAUTY!
YOU KNOW HER?!
MEN ARE FLOCKING IN FROM ALL OVER THE PLACE IN THE HOPES OF BEING CARED FOR BY HER.
THEY SAY SHE'S AS PURE AND KIND AS AN ANGEL.
.....
.....
OHH, SERENA?
THAT'S RAOUL LUCIUS VERUS. HE'S ONE OF THE MOST PROMINENT, WEALTHY MEN IN ALL OF POMPEII.
WOW, BIG BROTHER, YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW ANYTHING, DO YOU?
WHO'S THAT?
AH! THAT GUY...!
WHA--?!
DID YOU FALL FOR HER?

I THOUGHT THAT DAYS LIKE THIS...
OH, MY BEAUTIFUL CITY OF POMPEII.
...WOULD LAST FOREVER...
AAHHH!!
SINCE RAOUL STOLE A KISS FROM HER HAND, YOU GO STEAL ONE FROM HER LIPS!
HOW?!
THAT'S RIGHT! OR ELSE SERENA'LL GET STOLEN BY THAT GUY!
YOUR RIVAL HAS APPEARED! YOU NEED TO GO TALK TO HER TOO!
HEY, HEY! NO, I'M OKAY.
THAT GUY'S FAMOUS FOR HIS WOMANIZING, YOU KNOW!
HE'LL CHAT UP ANY GIRL SO LONG AS SHE'S BEAUTIFUL.

PI PI PI PI PI
...DREAM ABOUT MY PAST LIFE.
PI PI PI PI PI
I HAD ANOTHER...
OVER 1,900 YEARS AGO, I WAS A YOUNG MAN NAMED SIRIX WHO LIVED IN THE ITALIAN CITY OF POMPEII.
CLICK
I, KEIOAI SAEKI, HAVE MEMORIES OF MY PAST LIFE.
I WONDER WHY I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO REMEMBERS HIS PAST LIFE.
THANKS TO THAT, IT'S A MASS OF CONFUSION.
...AND OUR SHORT LIVES ENDED ALONG WITH IT.
BUT SHORTLY AFTER THAT, POMPEII WAS DESTROYED BY THE GREAT ERUPTION OF MT. VESUVIUS..
...AND LIVED HAPPILY SURROUNDED BY THOSE I LOVED, INCLUDING MY BEST FRIEND LOLEUS AND MY YOUNGER SISTER ARIA.
IN MY LIFE AS SIRIX, I TOOK A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN NAMED SERENA AS MY WIFE...

BECAUSE MY REINCARNATED SELF IS SURROUNDED BY...
MORN-ING.
YOU'RE LATE, KEIDAI.
SERENA!!!
UGGH!
GREAT STATE TO BE IN SO EARLY IN THE MORNING!!
Super strength
THIS WAS MY BELOVED WIFE SERENA IN MY PREVIOUS LIFE...
JEEZ. HOW MANY TIMES ARE YOU GONNA MISTAKE ME FOR A GIRL?
...WHO'S BEEN REINCAR-NATED AS YUUMA UJOH (AGE 15).

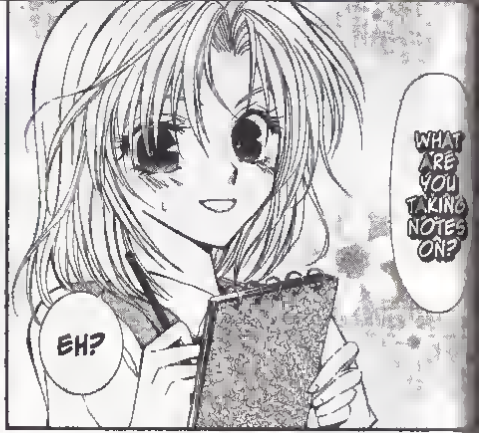
WHY ARE YOU EATING BREAKFAST AT MY HOUSE, ANYWAY? YOU LIVE NEXT DOOR, REMEMBER?
What a nightmare... Serena...
AND YET HE'S A GUY.
AM I A BOTHER?
GRRR! GO BACK TO POMPEII, ALREADY, YOU DAMN POMPEIIAN BASTARD!!
?
OH, NOT AT ALL! AFTER ALL, SO LONG AS I'M WITH YOU, MY ONE TRUE BELOVED, I WOULDN'T CARE IF WE WERE BOTH EXILED FROM POMPE--
The Keida in his mind (Sirin)
TWITCH
YOU'RE NOT A BOTHER AT ALL, YUUMA-KUN.
YOUR MOM INVITED ME OVER TO HAVE BREAK-FAST WITH YOUR FAMILY INSTEAD.
MY PARENTS AREN'T HOME TODAY, SO ..
What a weirdo
IDIOT! I'M SUCH AN IDIOT! I NEED TO GIVE UP ON SERENA! SHE'S NOT THERE ANYMORE! THE ONLY THING IN FRONT OF ME IS A MAN IN SERENA'S SKIN!
POW
POW
POW

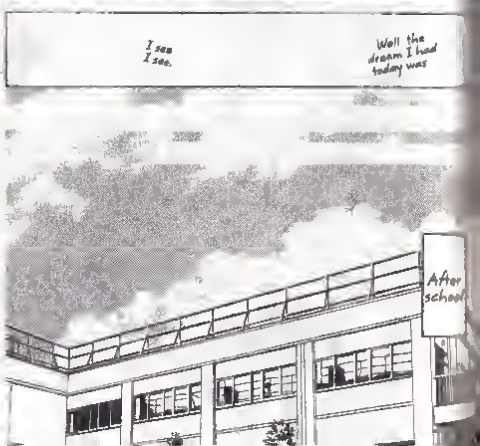
RAOUL...!! D-D-D-DON'T TELL ME THAT THIS MAN... IS AFTER SERENA EVEN IN THE PRESENT!
WHY, IF I COULD, I'D SWITCH KEIDAI WITH YOU!
EAT AS MUCH AS YOU WANT!
I'M SO HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO HAVE BREAKFAST WITH YOU.
Aria in past life My younger sister
Raoul in past life. My Rival
Renka Saeki (Mother)
Shuuge Saeki (Father)
THE ONLY PERSON FOR ME IS MY WIFE
DON'T TALK ABOUT ME LIKE I'M SOME PERVERT.
SIP
YUUMA, DON'T GO NEAR THAT MAN.
HUH?
You don't know what he'll do to you
KEI-CHAN! I CAME TO PICK YOU UP!
Good morning!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING TO YOUR OWN PARENTS?
BESIDES, WHEN THE HECK DID YOU TWO GET CLOSE ENOUGH TO MARRY, HUH?
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!!
カチャ
A MOTHER COM-PLEX, EH?
OH, KEIDAI! NO MATTER HOW OLD YOU GET, YOU'LL ALWAYS BE MAMA'S BOY, WON'T YOU?
DON'T GO NEAR MY MOM EITHER!

LOLEUS!!
OOF!
LET'S WALK TO SCHOOL TOGETHER.
SERIZAWA! YOUR VERY PRESENCE CALMS ME AS ALWAYS.
CONTRARY TO SERENA, HE WAS REINCARNATED AS A GIRL, BUT...
Loleus in past life
My best friend
Mii Serizawa
STAAAARE
Ah!
OH NO! IN FRONT OF YUUMA...
OH, YUUMA-KUN, YOU'RE HERE TOO? THEN LET'S ALL GO TOGETHER
O-OKAY.
AND SO...
JEEZ! WHAT ARE YOU BLATHERING ON ABOUT THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING?
...OUR FRIENDSHIP IS ETERNAL, ISN'T IT, LOLEUS?!
BDMP BDMP
A pretty one-sided friendship

...TODAY TOO...
...I STAND IN THE MIDST OF THIS PAST AND PRESENT MESS OF A WORLD.
Ka-chan? Please don't stare up at the sky and cry. It's creepy!
OH, LOOK, KEI-CHAN!
YUUMA-KUN'S OUT ON THE FIELD PLAYING SOCCER.
SO HE IS.
OF COURSE, TO ME, IT JUST LOOKS LIKE SERENA RUNNING AROUND ALL FULL OF ENERGY...
Dammit! That's bad
AREN'T YOU GLAD THAT YUUMA-KUN TRANSFERRED OVER HERE WHERE THE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS ARE TOGETHER?

YUUMA-KUN HAS THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE FOR HIMSELF, YOU KNOW?
THESE 1,900 YEARS, I'D REALLY BEEN PLANNING TO MARRY SERENA AGAIN EVEN AFTER BEING REINCARNATED!
EVEN THOUGH I WANT TO FORGET YOU, I CAN'T HELP BUT SEE YOU AS SERENA.
THAT'S RIGHT, THE HIGH SCHOOL I ATTEND, SEIŌU HIGH, AND THE SCHOOL THAT YUUMA ATTENDS, SEIŌU MIDDLE SCHOOL, ARE LOCATED ON THE SAME SITE.
It's happy and sad all at once.
YOU CAN BE SO MEAN SOME-TIMES, LOLEUS...
It's not like I want to marry a guy...
OH? LOLEUS WAS MEAN?
I'M FINE!
SERENA, MAYBE YOU SHOULD STOP...?
GULP GULP
SERENA WAS SURPRI-SINGLY FULL OF ENERGY WITH A STRONG HEART
LOLEUS WAS ALWAYS A BRIGHT AND HAPPY SORT OF GUY, SLIGHTLY MEDDLE-SOME AND A BIT OF A PRANKSTER.
WHEN THE THREE OF US GOT TOGETHER, WE'D TALK ABOUT THE SILLIEST THINGS.
OH MY, THE BREAD I BROUGHT IS GONE...
SCRITCH SCRITCH
HM...?
LOLEUS?!





After this particular episode, the story began its official run. Since it was a three in-a-row feature run, I had to pretty much work on three sets of thumb nails all at once prior to it, in addition to actually drawing all three episodes as well! That's like 700 pages in a month! Physically, it was really rough-- there were so many days that I missed out on proper sleep, so when it was all over I'd just fall dead asleep. Of course, at that point no matter how many hours I ended up sleeping, I just couldn't bring myself to get up sometimes. It was like my body was just sinking into the ground.

I think I slept a whole week through at one point. I've always been sort of a sleepyhead, meaning that I'd pretty much sleep whenever the opportunity presented itself, and even when it didn't. For publication runs, I always feel like I have to hurry on to the next part once I'm done with one, so often I end up only getting a half-hearted sleep. Of course, when that happens then the only thing I can think about is sleeping (laughs). Other times my head would be filled with thoughts of all those movies I wanted to see, like *The Lord of the Rings*, or *Castle in the Sky*.

I know that what I ought to be doing is thinking of the next story as I'm drawing my current one, but... it's just sooo hard. ô

SO I'M GOING HOME ALONE TODAY...
SERIZAWA SAID SHE HAD HER CLUB ACTIVITIES TODAY, DIDN'T SHE?
HUH...?
S...
SERENA?!

?!
THE DRAMA CLUB...?
SIRIX!
SIRIX!
OH, NO, IT'S JUST... THAT OUTFIT...
EH?
MAY I HELP YOU?
I have to go return it
OH, THIS
IT'S A COSTUME FOR THE DRAMA CLUB.

LOLEUS?
WHAT WERE YOU SPACING OUT OVER?
DID YOU FALL FOR SERENA?
WHA--?
AH! IT'S RAOUL!
WHO'S THAT?
HEY, HEY!
YOUR RIVAL HAS APPEARED! YOU NEED TO GO TALK TO HER TOO!
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あんぐり
SERENA'LL GET STOLEN BY THAT GUY!
CUT, CUT!

COULD YOU PLAY SIRIX AS MORE OF A LOSER, PLEASE?
Stage ↑
Director
Script
GRIP
Ah!
SE...
...RI-ZA-WA!!!
KEI-CHAN?!
GAAHHH!
One moment, please
WHY ARE --?
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON HERE?!
NOW NOW, KEI-CHAN, CALM DOWN AND LET'S TALK.
So that's why you were taking all those notes behind my back...
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, YOU WERE A MEMBER OF THE DRAMA CLUB, WEREN'T YOU?
THE PERFORMANCE OF OUR SCHOOL PLAY IS COMING UP SOON.

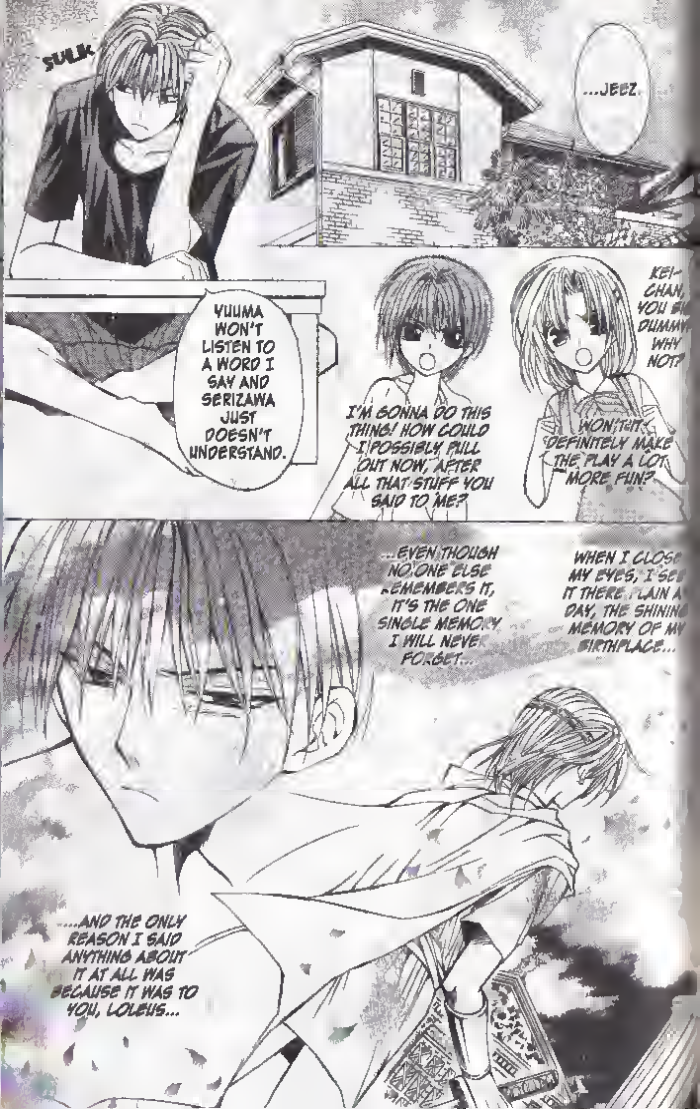
NO WAY.
SO PLEASE, KEI-CHAN! LET ME USE YOUR PAST LIFE? PLEASE?
THIS TIME I GOT PUT IN CHARGE OF THE SCRIPT, SO I TOLD THEM I REALLY WANTED TO DO SOMETHING WITH POMPEII.
WE'RE LOW ON MEMBERS TO BEGIN WITH, SO IF WE DON'T GET TO PRESENT THIS PLAY TO THE SCHOOL, THEY'LL ABOLISH US FOR SURE!
AND WE'VE ALREADY MADE THE COSTUMES!
THERE'S NO TIME LEFT!
PLEASE, WE'RE BEGGING YOU!
WHAAAT?! BUT WHY NOT?!
SO THAT'S WHY I'M ASKING YOU!
IT'S NOT ORIGINAL! IT'S A COMPLETE COPY OF MY LIFE!
IF YOU NEED A SCENARIO, THEN WHY DON'T YOU JUST GO FIND SOME OTHER SIMILAR STORY OUT THERE AND USE THAT INSTEAD!
BUT THE BIGGEST SELL OF THIS PARTICULAR PLAY IS THE ORIGINAL SCENARIO!
WELL... TO PUT IT BLUNTLY, THE COPYRIGHT FOR THE STORY DOES BELONG TO HIM.
WAIT, WHY ARE WE ASKING HIM FOR PERMISSION AGAIN?
His past life?
That scared me.

I WAS WALKING PAST AND HEARD YOU TWO ARGUING.
YUUMA ...
SO WHAT ABOUT THE SCRIPT DON'T YOU LIKE?
JUST COOPERATE WITH THEM ALREADY.
I DON'T SEE A PROBLEM WITH IT.
KEI-CHAN, IF YOU HAVE ANY REQUESTS, I CAN CHANGE THE SCRIPT.
IT'S NOT THAT, I JUST...
IT'S NOT MANLY AT ALL!
MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS.
WHAT KIND OF REASON IS THAT? THAT'S SO UNCLEAR.
IT'S JUST NOT OKAY. USE A DIFFERENT SCENARIO.
SAY WHAT ?!
...ALL RIGHT, I GET IT.
LET'S DO THIS.

...TO PLAY THE PART OF SERENA.
I CHOOSE YUUMA-KUN...
JUST THINK ABOUT IT, KEI-CHAN!!
J-JUST A SECOND THERE!
IT JUST SO HAPPENS THAT THE GIRL WHO WAS GOING TO PLAY SERENA HAD TO DROP OUT.
Note: Various clubs are shared by the middle and high schools
Something about exams.
AND THE DRAMA CLUB WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO WELCOME A NEW MEMBER.
Wh-wh-wh-what?

YUUMA-KUN WILL BE PLAYING THE PART OF SERENA.
AND NOT JUST DRESSING UP AS HER!
HE'LL BE DRESSED LIKE SERENA AND SPEAKING SERENA'S LINES. WHY, HE MIGHT EVEN SAY SOMETHING LIKE, "I LOVE YOU, SIRIX!!"
COULD THERE POSSIBLY BE ANYTHING MORE BLISSFUL THAN THAT TO YOU, KEI-CHAN?!
HEY, WAIT! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
I NEVER SAID I WAS GOING TO DO A DAMN PLAY, AND I SURE AS HECK DIDN'T SAY I'D DRESS UP LIKE A GIRL.
...NO...
SO IT'S SET.
UTTER DEFEAT
You're so cool, Director!
Ah!
ABSO-LUTELY NOT!
TH-THAT'S RIGHT!
SEE, IT'S NOT OKAY AFTER ALL. BESIDES, THERE'S NO WAY YUUMA CAN ACT.
I won't be strung along that easily!

WHO CAN'T DO WHAT AGAIN...?
EH? WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU CAN ACT...
カチン
NO WAY IN HELL!
AND HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHAT I CAN AND CAN'T DO IF I DON'T EVEN TRY? WHAT IF IT TURNS OUT THAT I'M LIKE THE MAN OF A 1,000 MASKS?!
THE ONLY MASK YOU HAVE IS YUUMA'S MASK!!
JUST YOU WATCH! I'LL SHOW YOU! I'LL SHOW YOU THE PERFECT SERENA, I WILL!!
KEIGA!!
I...
SUZUZAWA-SAN! COUNT ME IN!
YAY! ♡
OH NO!!
I STILL SAY NO TO ALL OF THIS, DAMMIT!!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...JEEZ.
YUUMA WON'T LISTEN TO A WORD I SAY AND SERIZAWA JUST DOESN'T UNDERSTAND.
I'M GONNA DO THIS THING! HOW COULD I POSSIBLY PULL OUT NOW, AFTER ALL THAT STUFF YOU SAID TO ME?
KEI-CHAN, YOU'RE SUCH A DUMMY! WHY NOT?
WON'T THAT DEFINITELY MAKE THE PLAY A LOT MORE FUN?
...EVEN THOUGH NO ONE ELSE REMEMBERS IT, IT'S THE ONE SINGLE MEMORY I WILL NEVER FORGET...
WHEN I CLOSE MY EYES, I SEE IT THERE, LAIN A DAY, THE SHINING MEMORY OF MY BIRTHPLACE...
...AND THE ONLY REASON I SAID ANYTHING ABOUT IT AT ALL WAS BECAUSE IT WAS TO YOU, LOLEUS...

OF COURSE YUUMA'S GOING TO COMPLETELY TAKE SERIZAWA'S SIDE
SIGH
IS SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND...
SIRIX?
WHA...?
I'M SORRY TO HAVE LET MYSELF IN WITHOUT ASKING YOU FIRST...
...BUT I JUST WANTED TO SEE YOU SO VERY MUCH.
WHA...?
WHA...?
S-- S--
SEREHA?!

N-n-n-n-no! You can't! You just can't
I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND?
はむ
THWACK
THWACK
THWACK
GIRLIE
NO! IT'S YUUMA !!
I PLAN TO STAY BY YOUR SIDE NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF A NUISANCE I MIGHT BE
JUST STOP IT!!
THEN YOU LOVE ME?
Th-th-that's not it! I j-just...
DO YOU HATE ME?
I GOT THE COSTUME AND SCRIPT FROM THE DRAMA CLUB, SO I TRIED THEM OUT RIGHT AWAY.
NORMALLY, I DEFINITELY WOULDN'T BE COOL WITH DRESSING UP LIKE A GIRL, BUT SINCE IT'S PART OF MY ROLE, WHAT CAN I DO?
WHAT KIND OF SICK TORTURE IS THIS?!
AHA HA HA. TAKE THAT! HOW DO YOU LIKE MY ACTING?!

THERE'S NOTHING REALLY WRONG WITH THIS SCRIPT. SO WHAT'S--
Pompeii
Script
I REALLY SHOULD HAVE SAID NO TO ALL THIS.
IT'S NOT A SCRIPT!
ARE YOU STILL GOING ON ABOUT THAT?
SHE DID NOT DUMP ME!!
I don't want to hear that coming from your mouth! And don't look at me like that either!
MORE IMPORTANTLY, THIS STORY... YOU CREATED IT, RIGHT? BUT I THOUGHT SEREHA WAS YOUR EX-GIRLFRIEND WHO DUMPED YOU OR SOMETHING?
Wow he must really love her
My Beloved Pompeii Script
POMPEII... ISN'T THE SCRIPT TO SOME PLAY...
THE STORY THAT'S IN THERE... IT'S SOMETHING PRECIOUS-- SOMETHING REALLY PRECIOUS TO ME.
IT'S NOT LIKE I TELL EVERYONE I SEE ABOUT IT.
I'M NOT SURE I UNDER-STAND... WHAT YOU'RE GETTING AT.
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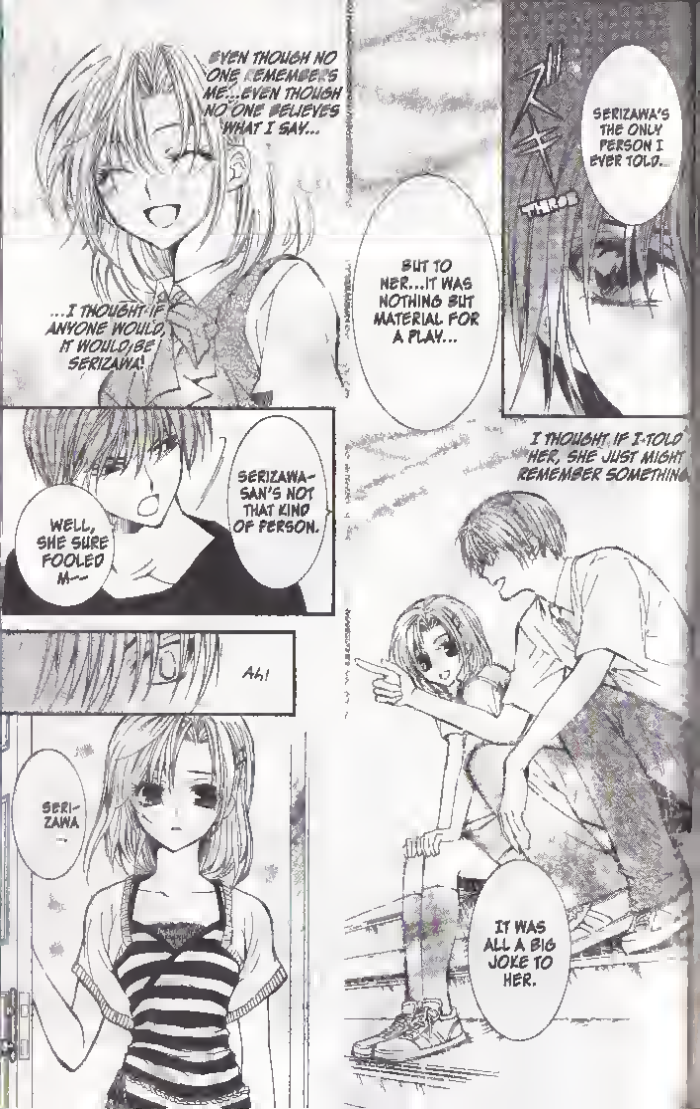
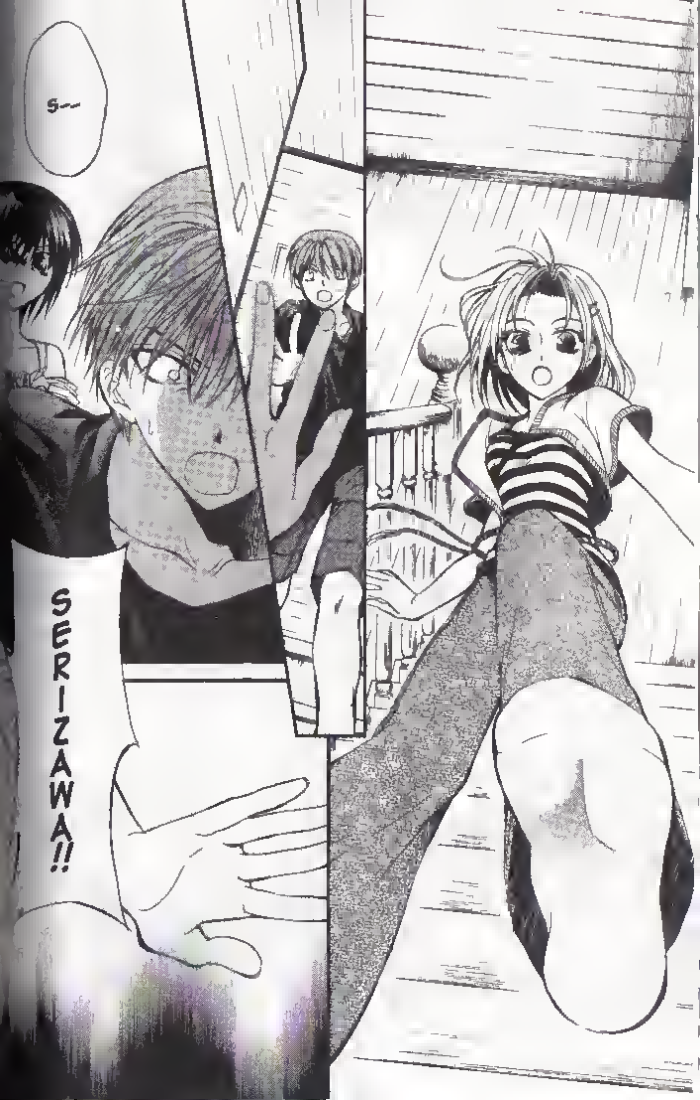

EVEN THOUGH NO ONE REMEMBERS ME...EVEN THOUGH NO ONE BELIEVES WHAT I SAY...
...I THOUGHT IF ANYONE WOULD, IT WOULD BE SERIZAWA!
SERIZAWA'S THE ONLY PERSON I EVER TOLD...
THERE
BUT TO HER...IT WAS NOTHING BUT MATERIAL FOR A PLAY...
I THOUGHT IF I TOLD HER, SHE JUST MIGHT REMEMBER SOMETHING.
SERIZAWA-SAN'S NOT THAT KIND OF PERSON.
WELL, SHE SURE FOOLED M--
Ah!
SERI-ZAWA --
IT WAS ALL A BIG JOKE TO HER.

What the heck? Everyone just came to fight us whenever they thought
SO THAT'S THE REASON YOU WERE SO AGAINST THIS PLAY, KEI-CHAN. I'M SO SORRY...
BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW, IT'S NOT THAT I THOUGHT OF YOUR STORY AS MATERIAL, KEI-CHAN.
I MEAN, SURE, I TURNED IT INTO A SCRIPT, BUT WHAT I REALLY HOPED TO PUT ON STAGE WAS...
...WELL... IT WAS...
THE TRUTH IS...
.....
...SORRY. I GUESS I REALLY DID HAVE SOME DISHONEST MOTIVES AFTER ALL.
WHAAAT?!
WHAT THE HELL? SO IT REALLY IS ALL A BIG JOKE TO YOU, ISN'T IT?!
SERIZAWA-SAN, IF YOU DON'T SAY IT PROPERLY, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO PUT ON THE PLAY!
U G H
I CAN'T... SAY THE REAL REASON ...
.....

WHAT THE HECK? THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE.
SO IF I TELL YOU ANOTHER STORY ABOUT POMPEII...
...YOU'LL JUST USE THAT AS MATERIAL TOO, WON'T YOU?!
NOT LIKE YOU'D REMEMBER ANYTHING, ANYWAY...
JUST... WHAT-EVER.
WAIT, KEI-CHAN.
LISTEN, I--
SERI-ZAWA!
I DON'T PLAN ON TELLING YOU ONE BIT...
...ABOUT MY PAST LIFE...
...ANY...
MORE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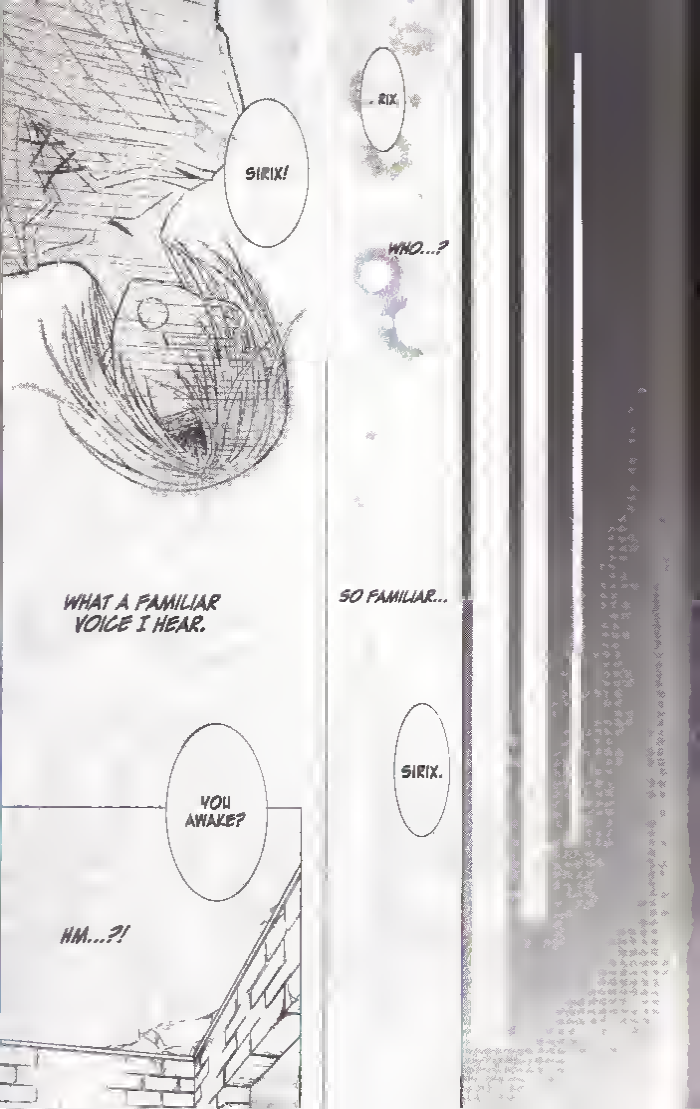
SERIZAWA!!


SIRIX!
...RIX.
WHO...?
WHAT A FAMILIAR VOICE I HEAR.
SO FAMILIAR...
SIRIX.
YOU AWAKE?
HM...?!

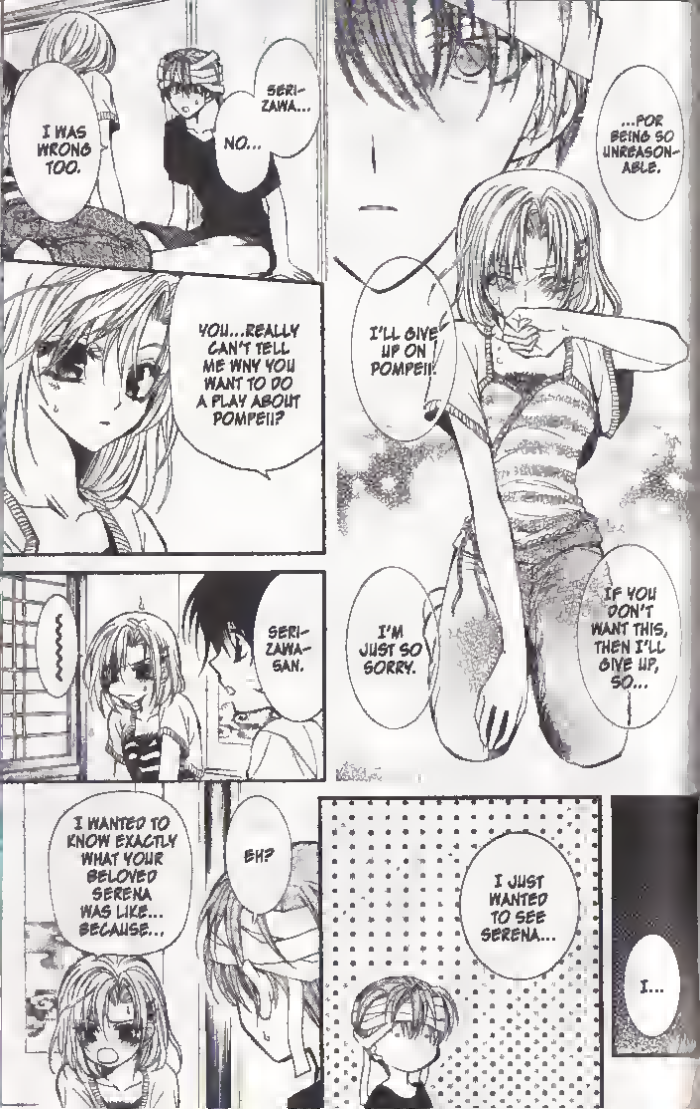
I...
SIRIX!!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? I'M SO GLAD!
LOLE-IUS?

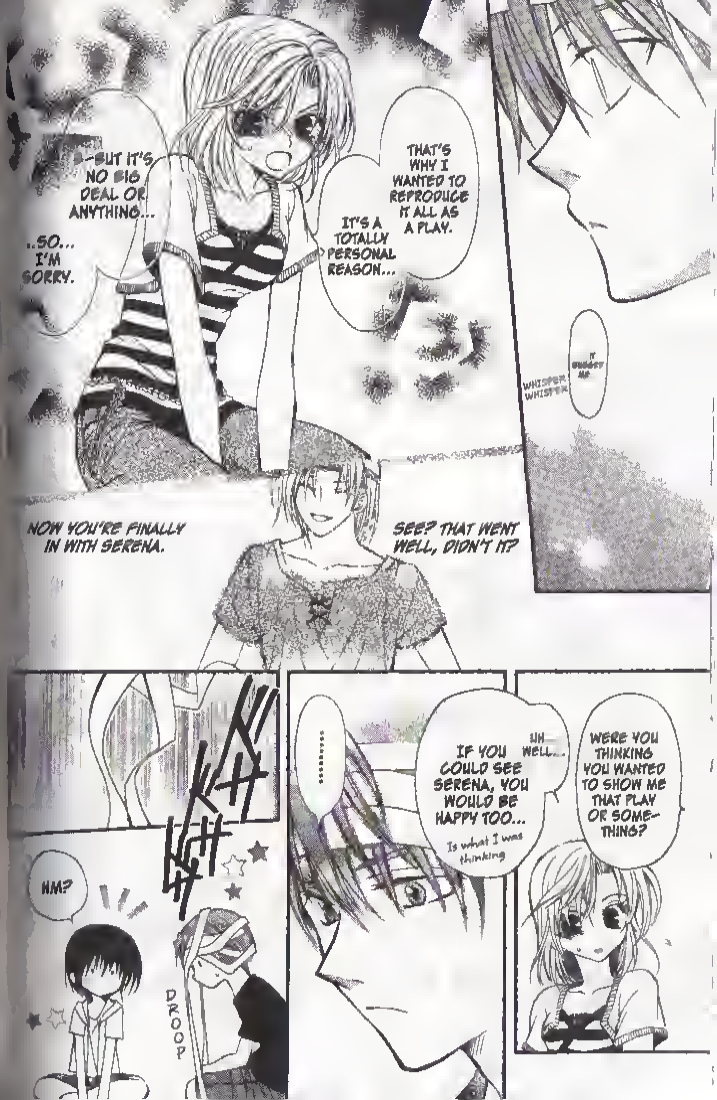
THIS IS... POMPEII?
OF COURSE IT IS!
DON'T TELL ME YOU FORGOT WHERE YOU WERE BECAUSE OF THAT BUMP ON YOUR HEAD.
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, MY HEAD IS THROBBING...
HMMM. MAYBE I HIT YOU A LITTLE TOO HARD.
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO HIT ME?!
AHA HA HA!
DON'T "AHA HA" ME!!
HAVE YOU COME TO?
I'LL CHANGE YOUR BANDAGES THEN.
SE... RENA...
OH MY, YOU KNOW MY NAME?
OF COURSE HE KNOWS YOUR NAME! HE ONLY WATCHES YOU FROM ATOP THAT HILL EVERY DA--
?
KOUEIGI!!

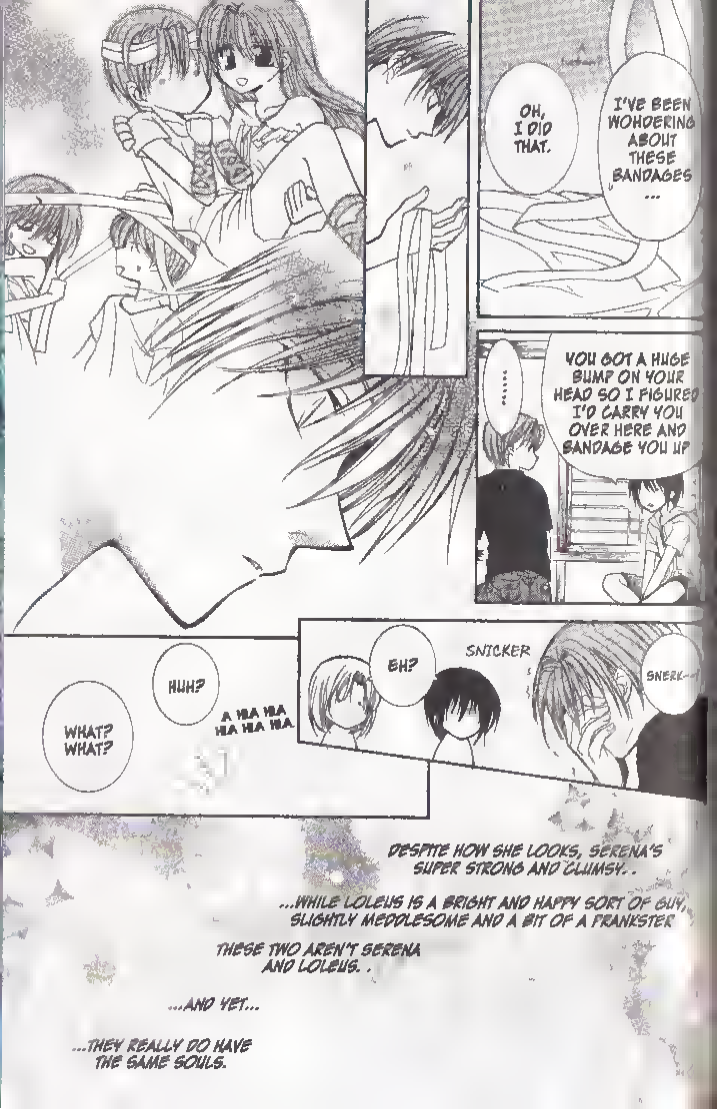
WELL THEN, IT'S THIS WAY TO THE COUCH...
UH...
.. YOU'RE QUITE STRONG, AREN'T YOU?
OH, I'M JUST USED TO IT.
AND YET YOU'RE NOT USED TO BAN-DAGES?
I'M SO SORRY..
I HOPE YOU GET BETTER SOON.

LOLEUS... DID YOU HIT ME ON PURPOSE ...?
YOU CAN JUST OWE ME TONIGHT.
NOW YOU'RE FINALLY IN WITH SERENA.
SEE? THAT WENT WELL, DIDN'T IT?
AHH...
EVERYTHING IS JUST SO...

KEIOAI!
KEI-CHAN!
...FAMILIAR... AND SO DEAR TO ME.
KEIOAI! ARE YOU OKAY?
UGH...
TEARY TEARY
KEI-CHAN...
I'M SORRY
YOU FELL DOWN THE STAIRS TRYING TO PROTECT SERIZAWA-SAN.
I...


I WAS WRONG TOO.
SERI-ZAWA...
NO...
YOU...REALLY CAN'T TELL ME WHY YOU WANT TO DO A PLAY ABOUT POMPEII?
...FOR BEING SO UNREASON-ABLE.
I'LL GIVE UP ON POMPEII.
I'M JUST SO SORRY.
IF YOU DON'T WANT THIS, THEN I'LL GIVE UP, SO...
SERI-ZAWA-SAN.
I WANTED TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOUR BELOVED SERENA WAS LIKE... BECAUSE...
EH?
I JUST WANTED TO SEE SERENA...
I...

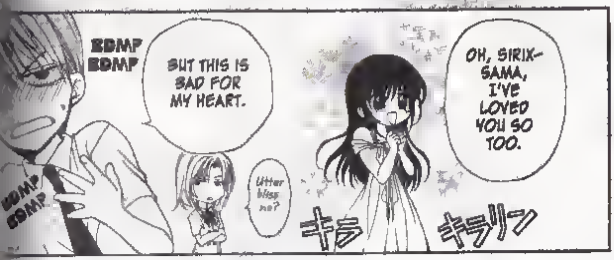

..SO... I'M SORRY.
B-BUT IT'S NO BIG DEAL OR ANYTHING...
IT'S A TOTALLY PERSONAL REASON...
THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO REPRODUCE IT ALL AS A PLAY.
WHISPER WHISPER
IT CAUGHT ME
SEE? THAT WENT WELL, DIDN'T IT?
NOW YOU'RE FINALLY IN WITH SERENA.
WERE YOU THINKING YOU WANTED TO SHOW ME THAT PLAY OR SOMETHING?
UH WELL...
IF YOU COULD SEE SERENA, YOU WOULD BE HAPPY TOO...
Is what I was thinking
.....
HM?
DROOP


I'VE BEEN WONDERING ABOUT THESE BANDAGES ...
OH, I DID THAT.
YOU GOT A HUGE BUMP ON YOUR HEAD SO I FIGURED I'D CARRY YOU OVER HERE AND BANDAGE YOU UP
.....
SNICKER
SNERK--!
EH?
HUH?
A HA HA HA HA HA HA
WHAT? WHAT?
DESPITE HOW SHE LOOKS, SERENA'S SUPER STRONG AND CLUMSY..
...WHILE LOLEUS IS A BRIGHT AND HAPPY SORT OF GUY, SLIGHTLY MEDDLESOME AND A BIT OF A PRANKSTER
THESE TWO AREN'T SERENA AND LOLEUS..
...AND YET...
...THEY REALLY DO HAVE THE SAME SOULS.

I WONDER WHAT MADE ME THINK THAT MY MEMORIES OF POMPEII BELONGED ONLY TO ME.
EVEN THOUGH THEY DON'T REMEMBER IT, BOTH YUUMA AND SERIZAWA WERE THERE.
THAT'S RIGHT.
IN THAT PLACE...
...WE WERE ALWAYS TOGETHER, WEREN'T WE?

YOU CAN PUT ON THE PLAY ABOUT POMPEII.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
All of a sudden...
KEI-CHAN?
SERIZAWA
YUUMA.
WHA...?!
WELL, WHEN I THOUGHT IT OVER, I REALLY DIDN'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE YOU STOP.
WHAT'S WITH THE SUDDEN CHANGE OF HEART?
AS LONG AS YOU UNDERSTAND WHERE I'M COMING FROM, IT'S ALL GOOD!
I'M SORRY.
LOLEUS WAS THE TYPE TO ALWAYS TAKE ACTION ON MY BEHALF.
PLUS...I MISUNDERSTOOD YOU, SERIZAWA
THANKS! WE'LL TRY OUR VERY BEST WITH THE PLAY!

GOOD LUCK TO YOU TOO, YUUMA-KUN.
O... ...OKAY.
IF I COULD SEE...
...THERE MIGHT BE...
...THAT FARAWAY CITY WITH YOU TWO...
...NO GREATER HAPPINESS THAN THAT.


EDMP EDMP
BUT THIS IS BAD FOR MY HEART.
EDMP EDMP
Utter bliss, no?
OH, SIRIX-SAMA, I'VE LOVED YOU SO TOO.
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キラリン

Scene 3 /End

SE-
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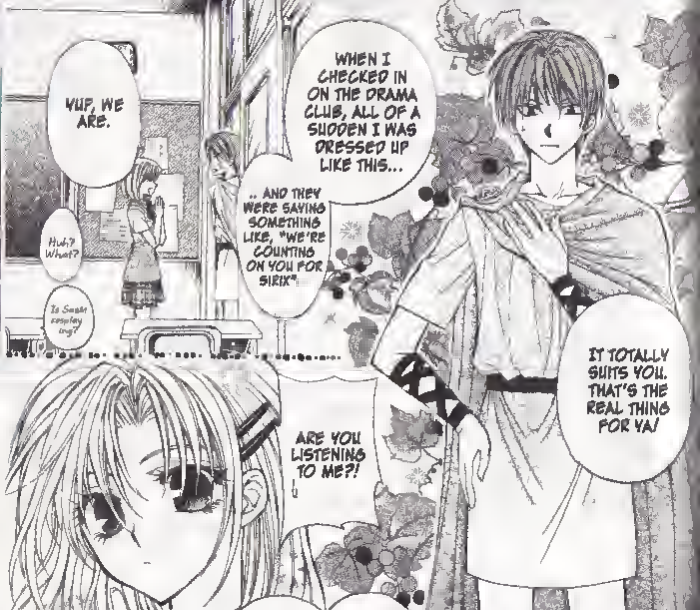
ZA-
WAAA!!
WHAT THE HELL IS THIS?!
Woo!
HEY! LOOKING GOOD, SIRIX-SAMA. ♡

NG LIFE
scene4


YUP, WE ARE.
Huh? What?
Is Sasaki crying?
WHEN I CHECKED IN ON THE DRAMA CLUB, ALL OF A SUDDEN I WAS DRESSED UP LIKE THIS...
.. AND THEY WERE SAYING SOMETHING LIKE, "WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU FOR SIRIX".
IT TOTALLY SUITS YOU. THAT'S THE REAL THING FOR YA!
ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?!
IT SEEMS HE HAS AN EVENT CONFLICT ON THE DAY OF THE PLAY.
THE KID WHO WAS ORIGINALLY GOING TO PLAY SIRIX IS ALSO IN THE WIND INSTRUMENT CLUB...

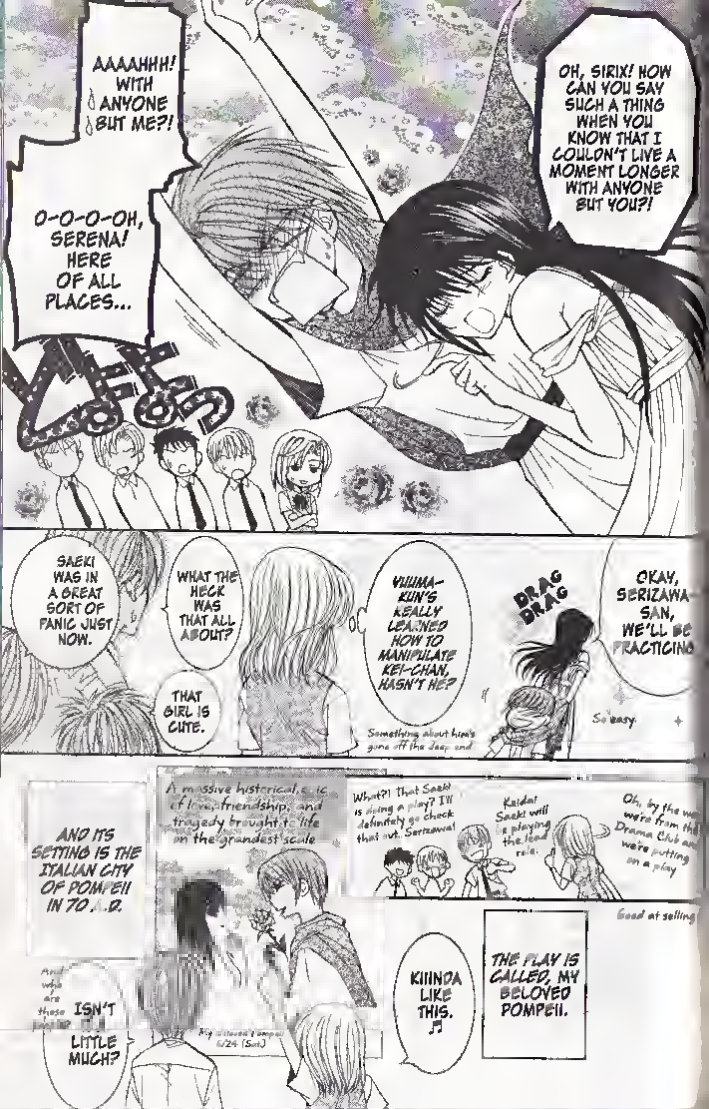
Character Memo

Keidai Saeki (17)

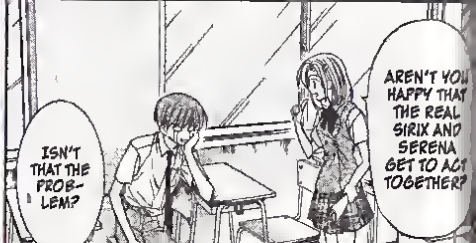
His charm point is that has slightly stupid (laughs) He's pathetic and a lot of times makes you wonder, "Is he really going to be all right?" but a lot of readers have told me that that's what makes him cute to them. He's a good student and pretty good-looking as well and thanks to his innate stupidity is really popular amongst the guys in the class as well. (More like he amuses them.) It's unfortunate for his present self as during his past life as Sirix, he was slightly more grown up and dignified...

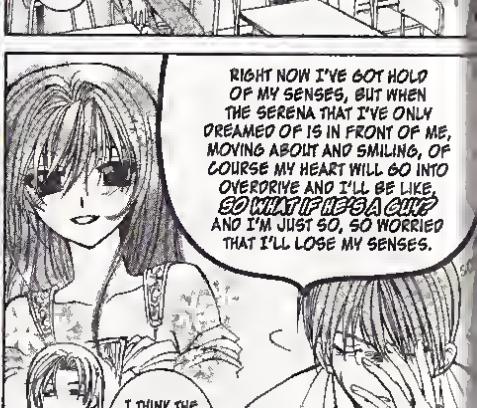
And that's it for the character memo today.

WHAT THE HELL, KEIDAI?
WHATEVER DO YOU MEAN?
SERIZAWA .. DID YOU MEASURE THIS IN ADVANCE?
WHEN I TOLD THE OTHER MEMBERS THAT YOU WERE THE MODEL FOR SIRIX, EVERYONE GAVE THEIR CONSENT.
SO HOW DID I GET STUCK WITH THIS?
IS THE IDEA OF ACTING OPPOSITE ME THAT OFFENSIVE?
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE I'M A MEMBER OF THAT STUPID CLUB...
Avoiding his gaze
.....
SO WHAT IF I'M HERE? MORE IMPORTANTLY, ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE THE PART, KEIDAI?
YUUMA! WHAT ARE YOU DOING ALL THE WAY UP HERE?
Since Serizawa-san asked
You're still a middle schooler, remember?


AAAAHHH! WITH ANYONE BUT ME?!
O-O-O-OH, SERENA! HERE OF ALL PLACES...
OH, SIRIX! HOW CAN YOU SAY SUCH A THING WHEN YOU KNOW THAT I COULDN'T LIVE A MOMENT LONGER WITH ANYONE BUT YOU?!
SAEKI WAS IN A GREAT SORT OF PANIC JUST NOW.
WHAT THE HECK WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?
THAT GIRL IS CUTE.
YUUMA-KUN'S REALLY LEARNED HOW TO MANIPULATE KEI-CHAN, HASN'T HE?
Something about him's gone off the deep end
DRAG DRAG
OKAY, SERIZAWA-SAN, WE'LL BE PRACTICING
So easy
AND IT'S SETTING IS THE ITALIAN CITY OF POMPEII IN 70 A.D.
A massive historical epic of love, friendship, and tragedy brought to life on the grandest scale
What?! That Saeki is doing a play? I'll definitely go check that out. Sorrawaw!
Kaida! Saeki will be playing the lead role.
Oh, by the way, we're from the Drama Club and we're putting on a play
Good at selling
And who are those people?
ISN'T LITTLE MUCH?
Key released January 6/24 (Sat.)
KIIINDA LIKE THIS. ♫
THE PLAY IS CALLED, MY BELOVED POMPEII.

...AND ALL THE WHILE INTERACTING WITH HIS BEST FRIEND LOLEUS AND HIS RIVAL RAOUL, HE MANAGES TO MAKE HIS WAY UP THE HARSH RANKS OF THE GLADIATORS.
THE HERO OF OUR TALE IS A YOUTH NAMED SIRIK LUCRETIUS FRONTO, WHO, DESPITE BEING BORN OF A NOBLE BLOODLINE, CHOOSES THE LIFE OF A GLADIATOR AND EVENTUALLY COMES TO BE KNOWN AS THE "HERO OF POMPEII"
HE FALLS IN LOVE WITH A MAIDEN NAMED SERENA...
...BY THE ERUPTION OF MT. VESUVIUS, WHICH BROUGHT AN END TO THE CITY OF POMPEII.
IT IS THE TALE OF ONE YOUTH'S EARNEST LIFE CUT TRAGICALLY SHORT...
...WHY IS IT THAT EVERY SINGLE TIME, I'M THE ONE WHO ENDS UP TROUBLED OVER MY PAST LIFE?
THAT'S ALL FINE AND DANDY, BUT...




I THINK THE AUTHOR OF THE STORY IS WORRIED ABOUT THAT TOO.
RIGHT NOW I'VE GOT HOLD OF MY SENSES, BUT WHEN THE SERENA THAT I'VE ONLY DREAMED OF IS IN FRONT OF ME, MOVING ABOUT AND SMILING, OF COURSE MY HEART WILL GO INTO OVERDRIVE AND I'LL BE LIKE, SO WHAT IF HE'S A GIRL? AND I'M JUST SO, SO WORRIED THAT I'LL LOSE MY SENSES.

Whenever I work on a 30-page comic I usually draw and redraw the pencil storyboards for it about two or three times total (Sometimes my editor will fix it for me, or I'll just fix it myself.) <--I wish that process was more smooth

By the way thank you and I'm so so sorry to my editor who sticks with me so patiently each and every time around. A long time ago I had a dream that my editor was my teacher at school I was a student, and my classmates were all comic artists as well. We all helped each other work on the storyboards together, and once we were done we all showed it to the teacher, and whoever was done with their storyboards the teacher would allow to go home first. But me I couldn't really finish mine since I work at my own pace and so the teacher started to get really irritated at me. It was so nerve wracking. Yup that dream was pretty realistic. Not that different from real life at all. If I were a teacher, I definitely would not like having myself as a student. But thanks to my editor I'm able to relax and get my work done. Thank you teacher!! I've been in my editors debt since my debut but really ..I'm so sorry that.. every single year I just take so darn long to finish anything

COLLAPSE

AHA HA HA AWW, COME ON, I'VE BEEN WORKING SO HARD!
.....
LIKE HELL!
DON'T TOY WITH ME, LOLEUS!!
BUT OF COURSE WE ARE. ♪ THAT'S THE MONEY SHOT, AFTER ALL. AND AS A SERVICE TO YOU, I'LL EVEN THROW IN A LOVE SCENE. ♡
WHY'D YOU SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
YOU LIKE HIM, DON'T YOU? SO WHY DO YOU ACT LIKE YOU DON'T HAVE ANY FEELINGS FOR HIM?
ABOUT THROWING IN A LOVE SCENE.
HUH?
THAT'S NOT THE POINT!
Of course I don't
AHA HA. OH, SO YUUMA-KUN DOESN'T WANT TO DO ONE EITHER?

Owwie owwie
YOU'RE ASKING WHY...?
ONLY BECAUSE I'M A COWARD.
BUT MORE THAN ANY-THING...
...I WANT TO STAY KEI-CHAN'S FRIEND.
AND SO, TWO WEEKS PASSED, AND IN ONE MORE DAY, WE WOULD PERFORM IN FRONT OF THE ENTIRE SCHOOL.
CUT!
CLAP CLAP
WHAT'S THE MATTER, KEI-CHAN?
EVERY TIME YOU GET TO THE VOLCANO SCENE, YOU GO ALL STIFF.
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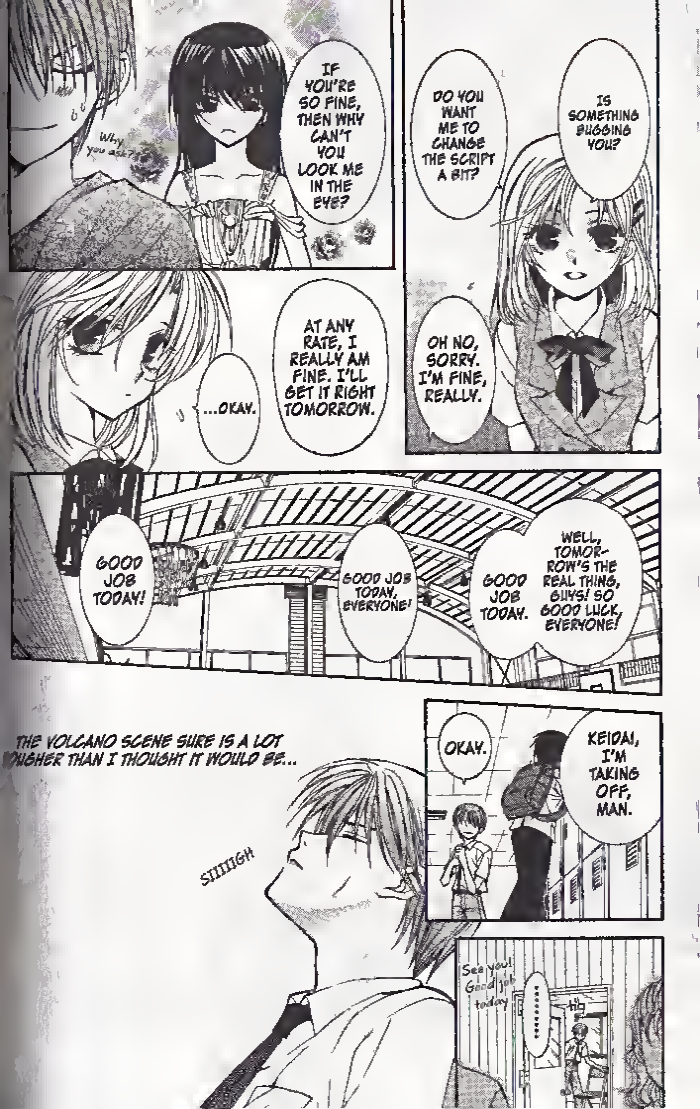
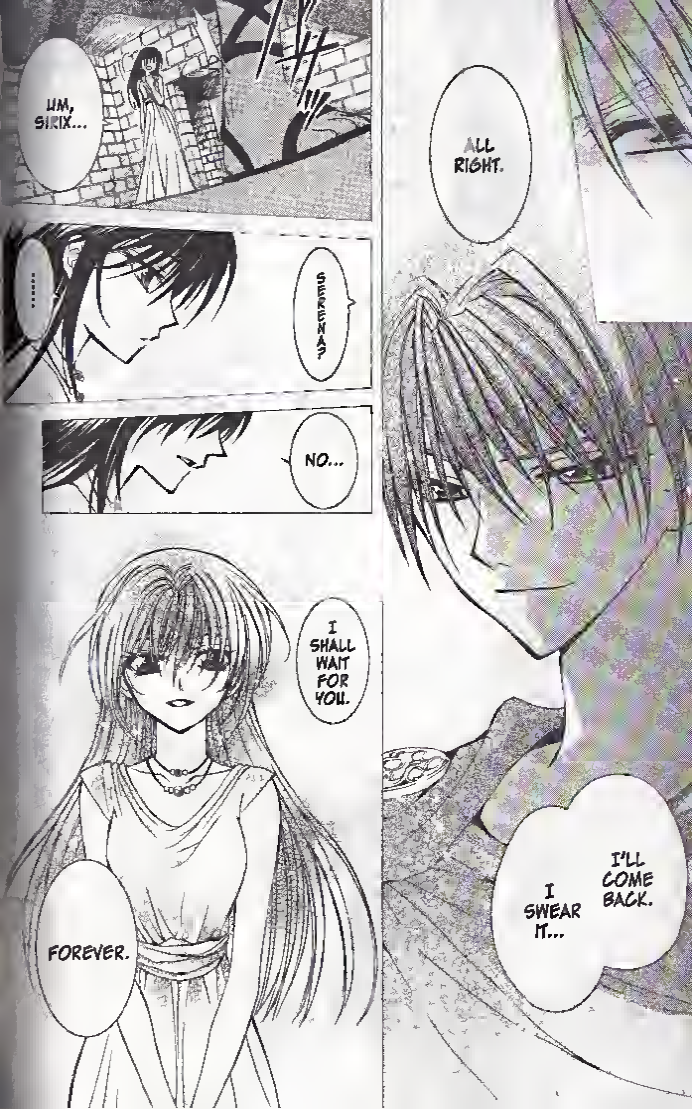

Why you asking?
IF YOU'RE SO FINE, THEN WHY CAN'T YOU LOOK ME IN THE EYE?
DO YOU WANT ME TO CHANGE THE SCRIPT A BIT?
IS SOMETHING BUGGING YOU?
OH NO, SORRY. I'M FINE, REALLY.
...OKAY.
AT ANY RATE, I REALLY AM FINE. I'LL GET IT RIGHT TOMORROW.
GOOD JOB TODAY!
GOOD JOB TODAY, EVERYONE!
GOOD JOB TODAY.
WELL, TOMORROW'S THE REAL THING, GUYS! SO GOOD LUCK, EVERYONE!
THE VOLCANO SCENE SURE IS A LOT HIGHER THAN I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE...
SHIIIIGH
OKAY.
KEIDAI, I'M TAKING OFF, MAN.
See you! Good job today
Hm
.....

...BUT AS A SERVANT OF THE HOUSE OF FELIX, I MUST DO WHAT I CAN TO ENSURE THEIR SAFETY...
I'M SO SORRY, SERENA...
YOU GO WITH THE OTHERS AND ESCAPE TO THE HARBOR.
NO, I WILL WAIT FOR YOU HERE.
ALL THE MORE REASON.
I MIGHT NOT BE COMING BACK, SERENA!
FOR I CANNOT LIVE FOR EVEN ONE SECOND IN A WORLD WITHOUT YOU.
IF YOU TRULY WISH FOR ME TO LIVE, THEN PLEASE COME BACK SAFELY TO ME.
MY MEMORIES OF MY PAST LIFE AS SIRIX END WITH THE ERUPTION OF MT. VESUVIUS.
THE CITIZENS OF POMPEII RUNNING FOR THEIR LIVES, AND THE LAND THAT WAS ENVELOPED IN DARKNESS.
THE ONCE MERRY CITY CHOKED BY FEAR.
...AND...
SIRIX, WILL YOU REALLY BE VENTURING INTO THE DARKNESS?

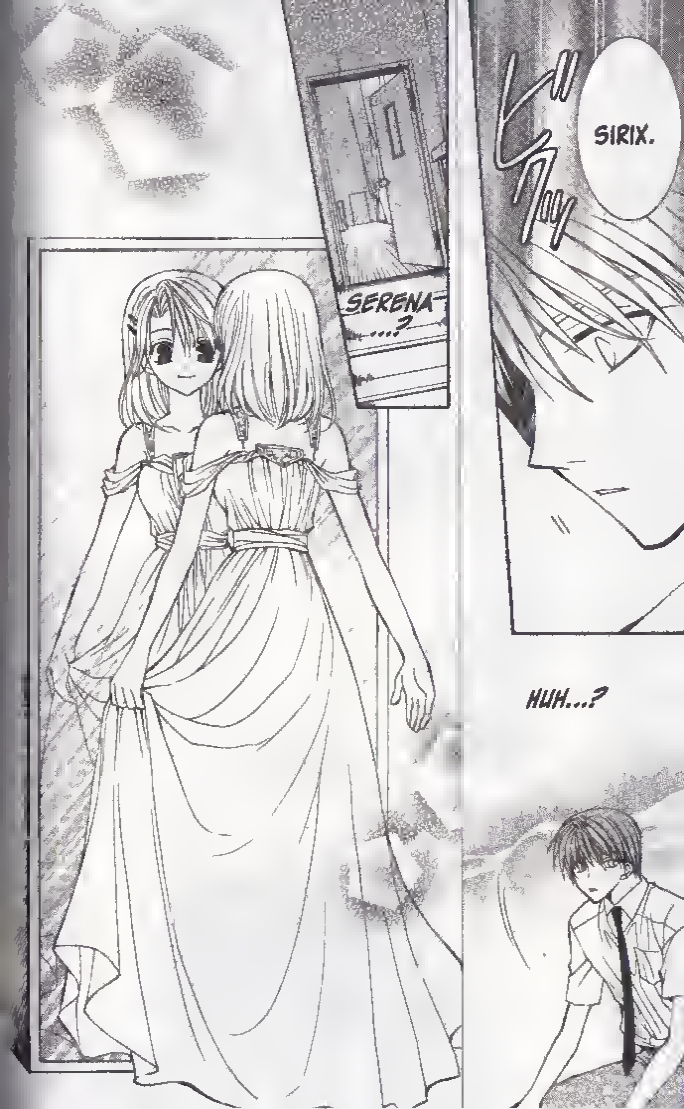

UM, SIRIX...
.....
SERENA?
NO...
I SHALL WAIT FOR YOU.
FOREVER.
ALL RIGHT.
I'LL COME BACK.
I SWEAR IT...

I LEFT HER TO DIE ALL ALONE.

AND I LEFT HER BEHIND... SHE WHO PROMISED TO WAIT FOR ME.

THE ERUPTION OF MT. VESUVIUS DID NOT STOP, AND POMPEII WAS SWALLOWED UP BY THE VOLCANIC ASH...

I WASN'T ABLE TO K
MY PROMISE TO HI


SIRIX.
SERENA
...?
HUH...?

SERIZAWA...?
EEEEK!!
EH?
HOHNE
ISN'T THAT SERENA'S COSTUME?
WHAT IS SHE DOING IN IT...?

...ARE YOU... HERE?
WH-WHY...
OH, SORRY. I DIDN'T MEAN TO STARTLE YOU...
FLUUUUSH
HUH?
SERI-ZAWA?!
HUH?
WHAT'S UP WITH HER?

A Drama Club Presentation
My Beloved Pompeii
WHAAAT?!
YUUMA, YOU...
I caught a cold, my throat hurts, and I've lost my voice.
WHAT?! YOU'VE LOST YOUR VOICE?!
WHAAAT?!
Nope
CAN YOU DO THE PLAY...?
Please kindly make your way to the gymnasium 10 minutes before
Beginning at 11:00 A.M. the Drama Club will be presenting their play to the student body
IMPOSSIBLE. NO ONE ELSE KNOWS HIS LINES.
CAN SOMEONE DO HIS PART?
WH-WHAT THE HECK?
Ever since yesterday...
SERIZAWA, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?
Hmph!
BOMP

TAP TAP
WHAT A RELIEF! YOU CAN DO IT, SERIZAWA-SAN!!
TH-THAT'S RIGHT! SHE SHOULD, SHE WROTE THE SCRIPT, AFTER ALL!
WE DON'T HAVE TIME! GO CHANGE, SERIZAWA!!
WHAT?!
Serizawa-san, don't you know all of Serena's lines?
GOOD LUCK.
TAKE HER AWAY!
ROGER THAT!
NOOOO!! FORGIVE MEEEE!
NO WAY! I CAN'T DO SERENA'S PAR--
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU ALREADY HAVE ANOTHER PART!
DO YOU NOT GRASP THE SITUA-TION?!
NO WAY?! SHE JUST SAID NO WAY!
Eeee!

YUUMA-KUN!!
You didn't lose your voice at all!!
LIKE I COULD STAND BY AND NOT DO ANYTHING AFTER SEEING THAT.
Jeez
WOW!
SERIZAWA, YOU LOOK SO PRETTY!
Oooohhhhh!
WE'RE LUCKY WE HAD A WIG TO MATCH YOUR HAIR COLOR.
You look good with long hair Serizawa
.....
.....
.....
SERIZAWA... WHY ARE YOU AVOIDING MEEE?
.....
BUT MAN, I CAN'T BELIEVE YUUMA CAUGHT A COLD.
OH WELL. IT'S GONNA BE A WHOLE LOT EASIER FOR ME TO ACT OPPOSITE SERIZAWA ANYWAY.
When it's Yuuma, my train of thought always derails
IT'S ALMOST TIME, EVERYONE. PLACES.
SERIZAWA SURE IS ACTING WEIRD, BUT I'M SURE ONCE WE GET ON THE STAGE...

IT'S A PROMISE THEN, SERENA.
ONCE WE GET ON THE STAGE...
IF I WIN THIS COMPETI-TION...
...YOU'LL ACCEPT MY PROPOSAL.
Totally serious
OKAY...
...O...
OH...!
SERENA
Look at me and say your lines right, dammit!
SE... RI...ZA... WAAA!

NOOOOOOO!!
GUAAAAHHH!!
HUH?
.....
Wa ha ha ha ha !!
SE...
...RENAAAA!!!

Gya ha ha ha !!
WE'RE JUST PRETENDING TO KISS, RIGHT?! SO NO ONE'S TRYING HARD, TRUST ME!!
WHAT THE HECK ARE THEY DOING UP THERE?
WHY, SIRIX, FOR BEING A TOTAL CHICKEN DURING REHEARSAL, HOW IS IT THAT YOU CAN TRY SO HARD ALL OF A SUDDEN, HUH?!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WANTED TO PUT THE STUPID LOVE SCENE IN, SO SUCK IT UP AND GO WITH IT ALREADY!!
DAMMIT, HOLD STILL! STOP FIGHTING ME!!
Wa ha ha ha ha ha!
EVERYONE KNOWS YOU'RE A LOSER SO PLEASE DON'T GO SO WEIRDLY CHIVALROUS ON ME, SIRIX!
DAMMIT! SERENA'S MORE GRACEFUL THAN THAT!!
Gyya!~ Nng!
DAMN YOU, SERIZAWA... WHAT THE HELL IS YOUR PROBLEM? YOU'RE THE ONE THAT WANTED TO DO THIS STUPID PLAY!
BUT WE'RE ALMOST DONE.
OH WELL, THE AUDIENCE SEEMS TO BE ENJOYING IT...
WHAT ON EARTH IS WRONG WITH SERIZAWA?
Wa ha ha ha ha!!
I'M GONNA KILL HER WHEN IT'S ALL OVER!
DON'T YOU RUN AWAY FROM ME, SERENA!
LOLEUS! GRAB HER!

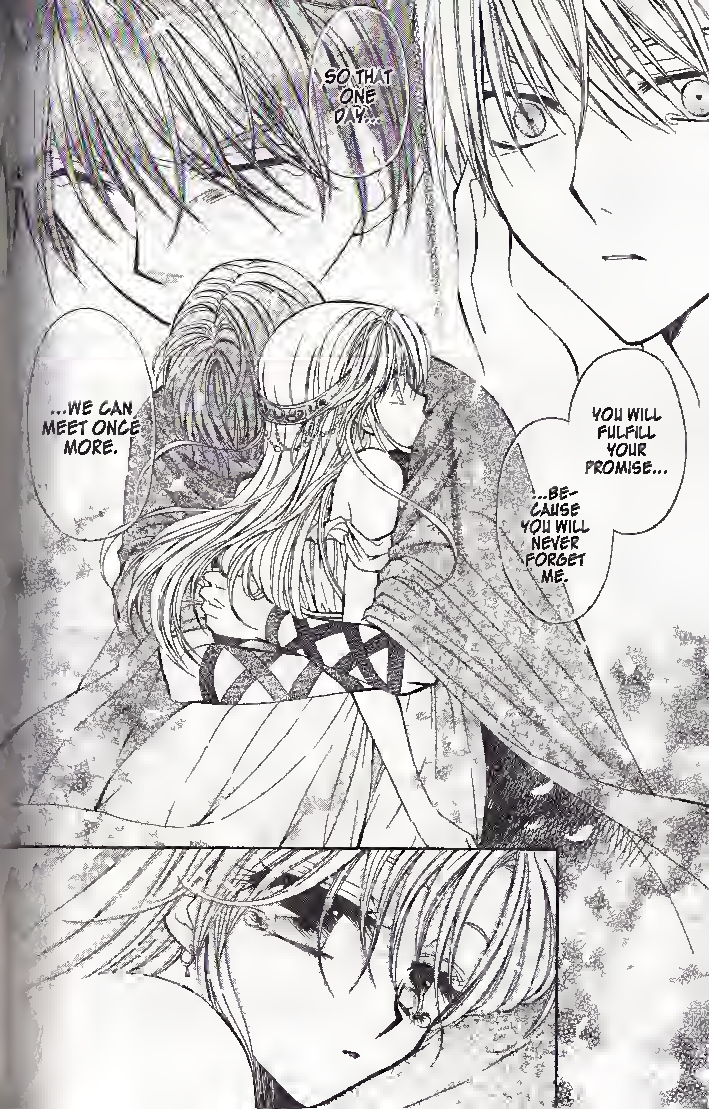
THE LAST SCENE...
OH, RIGHT...
MT. VESUVIUS!!
IT'S ERUPTING!
HUAH!
THE WRATH OF THE GODS IS UPON US! THIS IS THEIR JUDGMENT!!
RUN! IT'S GOING TO COLLAPSE!!
AAAHH!
I...
S-SIRIX, WILL YOU REALLY BE VENTURING INTO THE DARKNESS?
I...
I'M...SO SORRY...
I SAY GOODBYE TO SERENA IN THIS SCENE.
AS A SERVANT OF THE HOUSE OF FELIX...
I MUST... DO WHAT... I CAN...
I HAVE TO...
...LEAVE SERENA BEHIND...

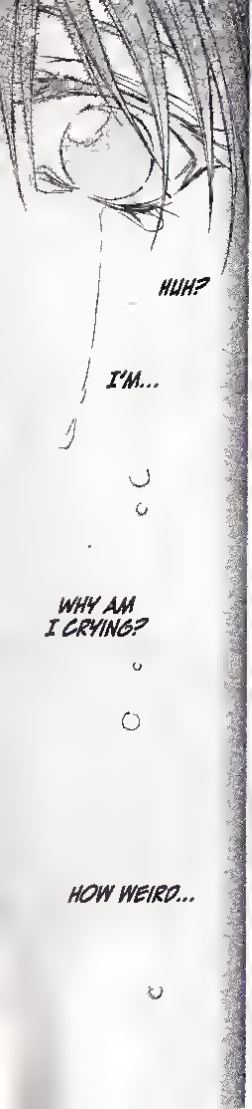
I WILL WAIT FOR YOU HERE.
...AND BREAK...
...MY PROMISE TO HER.
TREMBLE TREMBLE
IF YOU TRULY WISH FOR ME TO LIVE, THEN PLEASE COME BACK SAFELY TO ME.
FOR I CANNOT LIVE FOR EVEN ONE SECOND IN A WORLD WITHOUT YOU.
THESE WERE THE WORDS SHE SPOKE TO ME, WHO PLANNED ON DYING OUT THERE.
SERENA'S WORDS WISHING FOR ME TO LIVE
...ANY WORDS OUT...
...CAN'T GET...
OH NO. WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME? I...

"I'LL COME BACK... I SWEAR IT..."
I WON'T BE ABLE TO KEEP MY PROMISE. I'LL END UP BETRAYING HER ONCE MORE.
N-NO ...
HOW COULD I?!
I SHALL ...
AGAIN...
...I'LL...
...WAIT FOR YOU FOREVER.
NO, SERENA!
I CAN'T LEAVE YOU BEHIND!

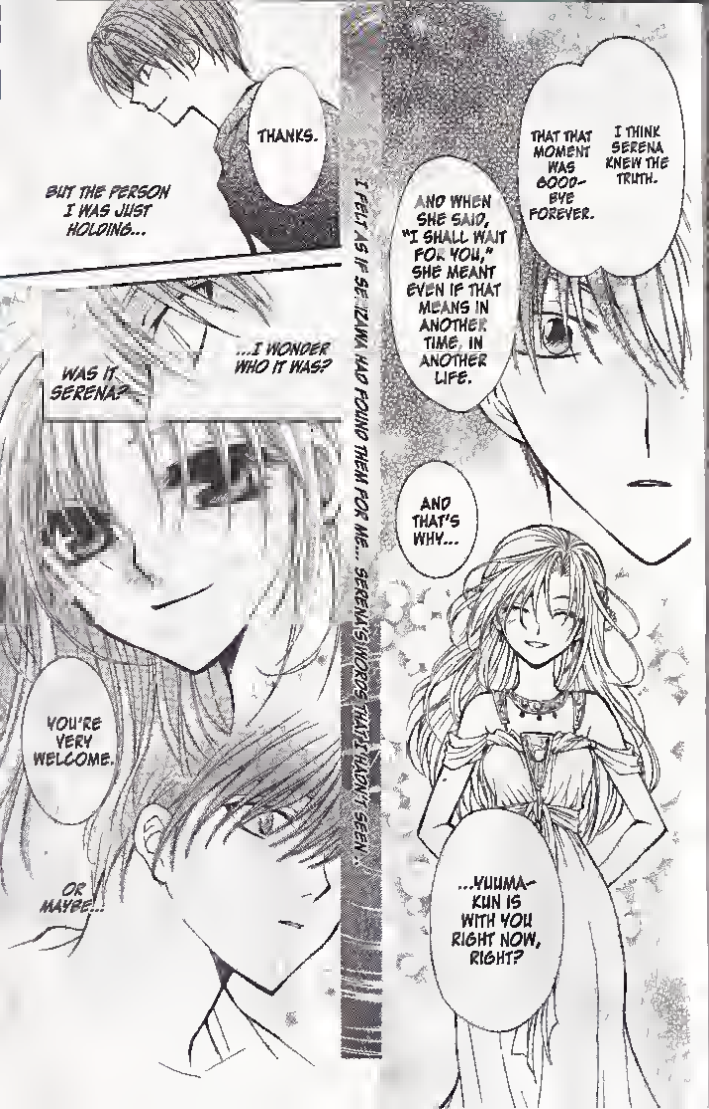
THE TRUTH IS...
SHE DID...
SHE PROBABLY KNEW ALL ALONG...
...THAT WE'D NEVER SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN.
KEI-CHAN ...?!
RUN!
PLEASE!
SERENA...!
DON'T WORRY.
PLEASE DO NOT DOUBT MY WORDS, SIRIX.
AND YET SHE JUST SMILED AS I SPOUTED ALL THOSE WORDS....
SHE...
...SHE MUST HAVE HATED ME SO--! WHO WOULD NEVER COME BACK.
SERENA...!!

I AM TRULY HAPPY.
BECAUSE I KNOW THAT YOU'LL KEEP YOUR PROMISE ...
...AND COME BACK TO ME.
I SHALL WAIT FOR YOU.
AND EVEN IF WE WERE TO FADE AWAY, UNABLE TO MEET IN THESE LANDS AGAIN...
...ACROSS TIME, ACROSS THE OCEANS, IN SOME FARAWAY LAND...
...I SHALL WAIT FOR YOU, FOREVER AND EVER.


SO THAT ONE DAY...
...WE CAN MEET ONCE MORE.
YOU WILL FULFILL YOUR PROMISE...
...BECAUSE YOU WILL NEVER FORGET ME.


HUH?
I'M...
WHY AM I CRYING?
HOW WEIRD...

.....
THANK GOD...
IT'S FINALLY OVER.
SERIZAWA--
I'M SORRY.
OH...NO, ME TOO... I TOTALLY MESSED UP AT THE END TOO...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TODAY.
I'M SO SORRY!
YOU LOOKED LIKE YOU WERE IN SO MUCH PAIN, KEI-CHAN...
BUT SEREHA'S LINES BACK THERE... I DON'T REMEMBER THOSE BEING IN THE SCRIPT, SO HOW--?
...SO I STARTED TO THINK THAT IF I WERE SEREHA, WHAT WOULD I HAVE SAID TO YOU...


I THINK SERENA KNEW THE TRUTH.
THAT THAT MOMENT WAS GOOD-BYE FOREVER.
AND WHEN SHE SAID, "I SHALL WAIT FOR YOU," SHE MEANT EVEN IF THAT MEANS IN ANOTHER TIME, IN ANOTHER LIFE.
AND THAT'S WHY...
...YUUMA-KUN IS WITH YOU RIGHT NOW, RIGHT?
I FELT AS IF SE IZUMA HAD FOUND THEM FOR ME... SERENA'S WORDS THAT I HADN'T SEEN.
THANKS.
BUT THE PERSON I WAS JUST HOLDING...
...I WONDER WHO IT WAS?
WAS IT SERENA?
YOU'RE VERY WELCOME.
OR MAYBE...

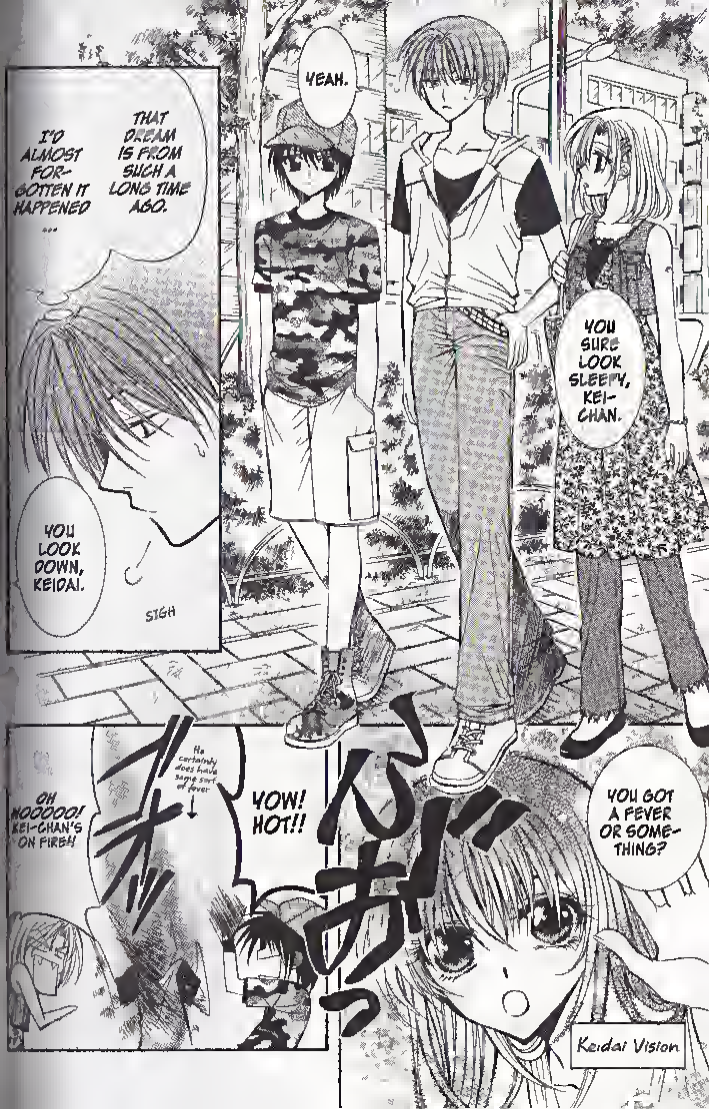
AHHN, I CAN'T WAIT TO CHANGE OUT OF THIS SILLY THING!
THEN AGAIN, LIKE I'D KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT SERENA!
B-BUM?
HM...?!
I WONDER WHAT I'M GONNA DO FROM NOW ON.
AHH... I KNOW IT WAS FOR SERIZAWA-SAN AHO ALL, BUT. .
...I FEEL SO STUPID.
Sakat kun looked so good!
That was so cool
sigh
Scene 4/End

NG LIFE

scene5

POMPEII'S AN ITALIAN CITY.
POMPEII? WHAT'S THAT?
NOW NOW, KEI-CHAN, HOW MANY TIMES MUST I TELL YOU? WE ARE PAPA AND MAMA.
ARIA...
WOW! KEI-CHAN, HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT?
What a smart boy!
POMPEII
RAOUL...
WHY...

WHY DON'T THEY KNOW?
WHERE AM I?
DOESN'T ANYONE REMEMBER ME?
YAWN
THAT WAS A HUGE YAWN.


YEAH.
YOU SURE LOOK SLEEPY, KEI-CHAN.
THAT DREAM IS FROM SUCH A LONG TIME AGO.
I'D ALMOST FORGOTTEN IT HAPPENED ...
YOU LOOK DOWN, KEIDAI.
SIGH
YOU GOT A FEVER OR SOMETHING?
WOW! HOT!!
He certainly does have some sort of fever.
OH NOOOOO! KEI-CHAN'S ON FIRE!!
Keidai Vision

This is the last from me, this book I just wanted to say thank you so much times 100 to everyone who buys my comics (and those who borrow them to read). To those who write me letters and to those who answer my surveys as well! Because of all your support, I can put my all into drawing my comic! Additionally, to my assistants Mikerun-sama Rye Sakura-sama My Little Sister-sama Thank you all so much for helping me out despite your own hectic schedules ♥♥ And to my father, my mother, my big sister, and everyone on the editorial staff that allows me to draw. Thank you so much and I promise to try my very best! Even though it's me who's a bit shaky. My goal is to create a work that truly satisfies me! (One day...!) On that note, it would make me so very happy to see you all again some day soon. If you have any opinions or thoughts, please write me at ↓

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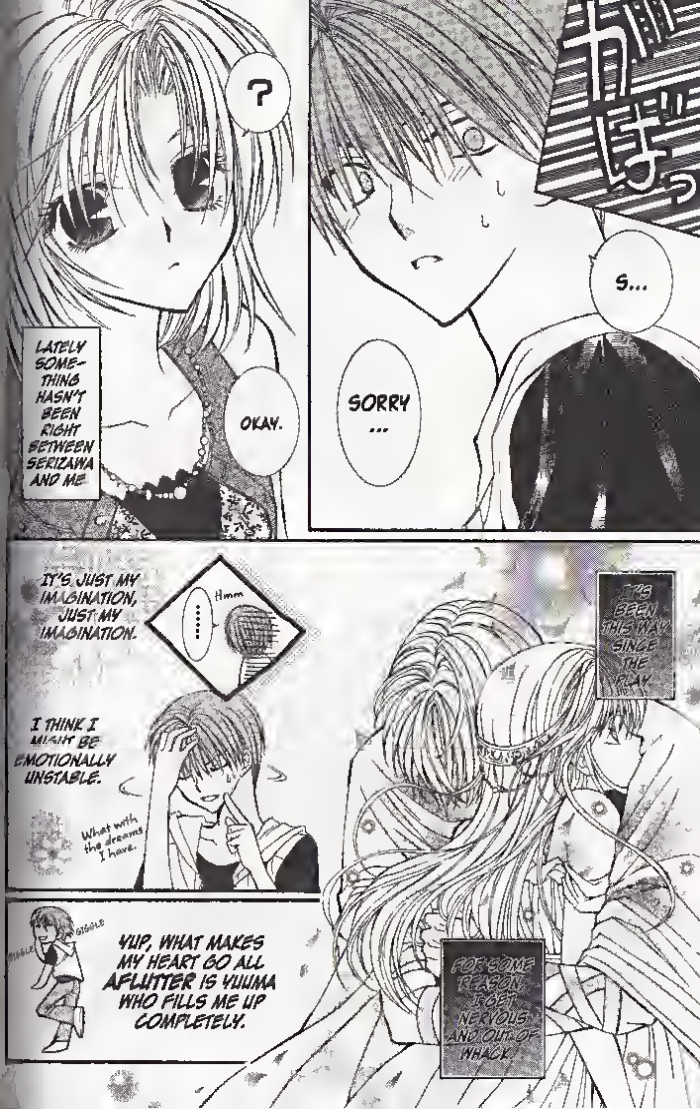
I'M NOT SICK, AND THAT WASN'T A FEVER! I'M NORMAL, I SWEAR!
Waaahh!
THIS DUDE IS DANGER-OUS. HE'S DEFINITELY SICK.
What are you having a hissy fit about now?
FLAIL FLAIL


?
LATELY SOMETHING HASN'T BEEN RIGHT BETWEEN SERIZAWA AND ME.
OKAY.
S...
SORRY ...
IT'S JUST MY IMAGINATION, JUST MY IMAGINATION.
Hmm
I THINK I MIGHT BE EMOTIONALLY UNSTABLE.
What with the dreams I have.
IT'S BEEN THIS WAY SINCE THE PLAY.
FOR SOME REASON I GET NERVOUS AND OUT OF WHACK.
GIGGLE
GIGGLE
YUP, WHAT MAKES MY HEART GO ALL AFLUTTER IS YUUMA WHO FILLS ME UP COMPLETELY.

KEI-CHAN, HOW'S ABOUT I TAKE YOU TO A REALLY AWESOME PLACE TO CHEER YOU UP A BIT?
WHAT?
A PAST LIFE FORTUNE TELLER SHOP!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU? I'VE SEEN EVERY POSSIBLE EMOTION FLIT ACROSS YOUR FACE IN THE PAST FEW SECONDS
Personally, Don't Mind Punishing If you'll H myself
Yuuma really shouldn't be filling me up, should he ?
D'ohhh!
PAST LIFE FORTUNE TELLER?!
P--
IT'S JUST LIKE IT SOUNDS IT'S A PLACE THAT CAN TELL YOU WHAT YOU WERE IN YOUR PAST LIFE. INTERESTED, KEI-CHAN?
SERIZAWA, THAT'S ..
WHO KNOWS?
Oh! You two are bound together by a fateful red thread of love!
MAYBE SOMETHING LIKE THAT COULD HAPPEN!

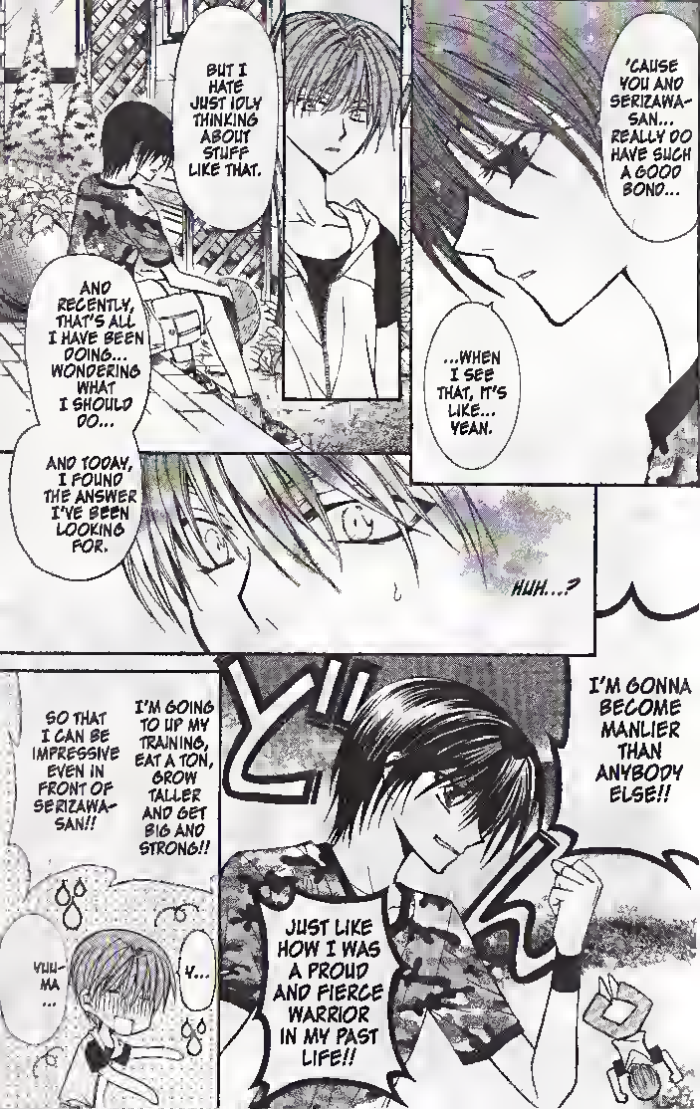
...THAT JUST MIIIGHT HAPPEN!
Oooh how exciting!
Oh he blushed! (Seri)
Now jump into my arms!
So you finally understand my dear wife!!
S-Serizawa.. I don't want any more than that...
I'm so sorry for thinking you were nothing but a pervert all this time!
I was your wife in my past life...
AND THEN, AND THEN...
HMM, LET'S SEE... IN YOUR PAST LIFE YOU WERE...
First Loves Revealed
Learn the Reason for Your Birth
I WONDER IF I'LL BE ABLE TO PROVE MY PAST LIFE EVEN JUST A LITTLE TO EVERYONE NOW...
PAST LIFE FORTUNE-TELLING, HUH?
HUH?
...A DOG.

DON'T TELL CRAZY LIES LIKE THAT!
Sure, honey!
A DOG?! TYPICAL KEIOAI!
Aha ha ha ha !!
THERE'S NO WAY IN HELL I WAS A DOG!!
More importantly, are you even a real fortune teller?!
YOU WERE A SHIBA INU DURING THE MEIJI PERIOD.
SAY THAT AGAIN?
YOU WERE A SHIBA INU DURING THE MEIJI PERIOD.
WH- WHAT WAS THAT
I DON'T CARE WHAT KIND OF DOG I WAS, DAMMIT!!
Pretty much.
SAY WHAT YOU WILL, BUT THE ONLY PAST I SEE FOR YOU IS THAT OF A DOG.
WHAT ABOUT THE PA ABOUT ME BEING A FOREIGN YOUTH WH HAD A BEAUTIFUL WIFE, OR ABOUT A ANCIENT CITY THAT WAS DESTROYED 2,000 YEARS AG OR AN EPIC TALE O LOVE? WHAT ABOU ANY OF THAT, HUH?
WHOOOAA! THAT'S SO COOL!!
AROUND THE 19TH CENTURY, YOU WERE A PROUD AND FIERCE AFRICAN WARRIOR WHO TOOK ON A LION ALL BY YOURSELF AND WON!!
Who are you again?!
HEY, WHAT ABOUT ME? WHAT ABOUT ME?
Lemme go! Lemme go!
Ohh, my sides, hurt!
OHH, YOU'R QUITE AMAZIN

IF I WAS A PROUD AND FIERCE WARRIOR BACK THEN, DOES THAT MEAN I HAVE THOSE QUALITIES IN THIS LIFE AS WELL?!
WHY, OF COURSE. YOUR PAST LIFE ALWAYS HAS SOME SORT OF INFLUENCE ON YOUR PRESENT ONE.
YAY! I'M GOING TO TRY MY BEST!
W-WAIT A SEC-OND, YUUMA.
PLEASE DO ME NEXT!
YOU WERE A PEERLESS BEAUTY BORN TO A FRENCH ARISTOCRAT NOBLE FAMILY BACK IN THE 16TH CENTURY.
OOOOOH♡
TWITCH TWITCH
THIS IS A SHAM!!
JEEZ, WHAT THE HECK KIND OF FORTUNE-TELLING WAS THAT?
SHAKE!
Shake
BUT WHAT A SHAME.

I THOUGHT YOU'D FINALLY BE ABLE TO PROVE YOUR RED-THREAD LINK TO YUUMA-KUN TODAY.
DID YOU SAY SOMETHING?
N-N-N-NOTHING AT ALL! SHE DIDN'T SAY A THING!
WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU SAYING, YOU IDIOT?! WHAT I WANTED TO PROVE WAS MY PAST LIFE, NOT SOME RED-THREAD LINK TO YUUMA?!
SO DON'T SAY STUFF LIKE THAT!
THROTTLE THROTTLE
OH, REAAALLY?
I DON'T...
...WANT...

HUUHHH? THIS IS SO WEIRD! MAYBE I REALLY DO HAVE A FEVER.
WHAT? WHAT THE HECK?
HUH?!
KEI-CHAN?
WHAT THE HECK'S WRONG WITH YOU, KEIDAI-SAN?!
At
at...at at any rate who cares about that stupid fortune-teller anyway? He was a total fraud!!
.....
EVERY SO OFTEN YOU REALLY MAKE ME JUST WANT TO BEAT THE SNOT OUT OF YOU, YOU KNOW?
PLEASE DON'T TALK ABOUT VIOLENCE SO NON-CHALANTLY!!
SPIN SPIN
HEY, DOGGIE.
WHO ARE YOU CALLING DOGGIE?!


'CAUSE YOU AND SERIZAWA-SAN... REALLY DO HAVE SUCH A GOOD BOND...
...WHEN I SEE THAT, IT'S LIKE... YEAH.
BUT I HATE JUST IDLY THINKING ABOUT STUFF LIKE THAT.
AND RECENTLY, THAT'S ALL I HAVE BEEN DOING... WONDERING WHAT I SHOULD DO...
AND TODAY, I FOUND THE ANSWER I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR.
HUH...?
I'M GONNA BECOME MANLIER THAN ANYBODY ELSE!!
JUST LIKE HOW I WAS A PROUD AND FIERCE WARRIOR IN MY PAST LIFE!!
I'M GOING TO UP MY TRAINING, EAT A TON, GROW TALLER AND GET BIG AND STRONG!!
SO THAT I CAN BE IMPRESSIVE EVEN IN FRONT OF SERIZAWA-SAN!!
YUU-MA...
Y...

SINCE BEING JEALOUS OF YOU ISN'T REALLY THAT MANLY...
AND!
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...I THINK I'LL COME TO LIKE YOU TOO.
LIKE YOU...
...I'LL COME TO
LIKE YOU...
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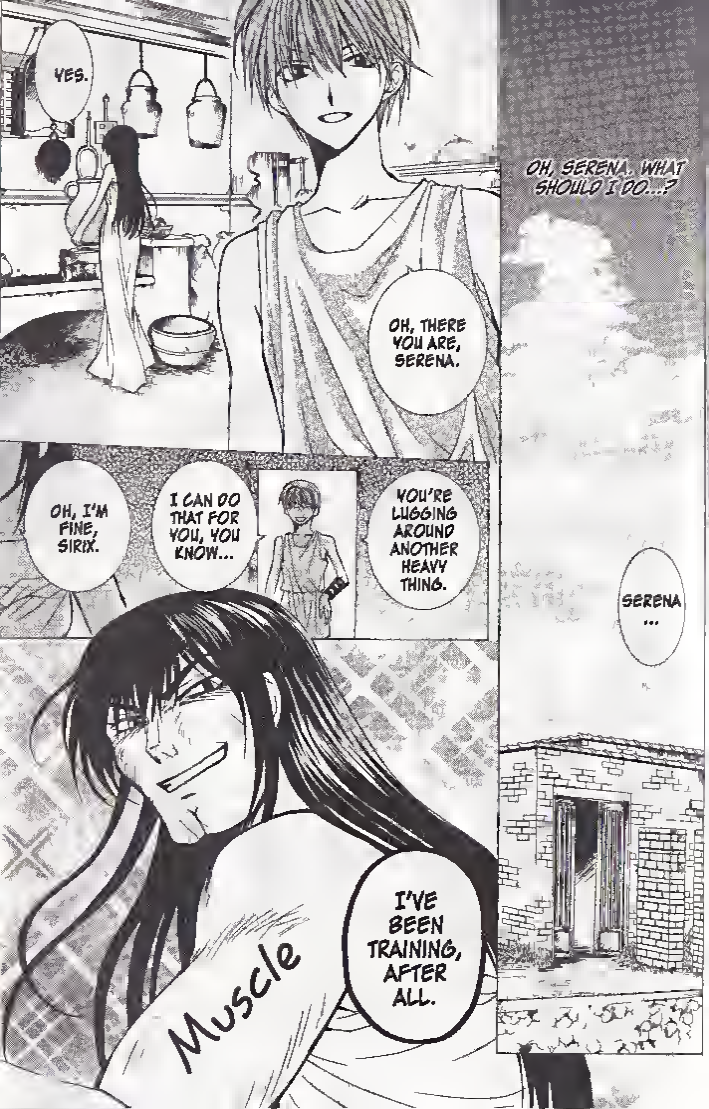
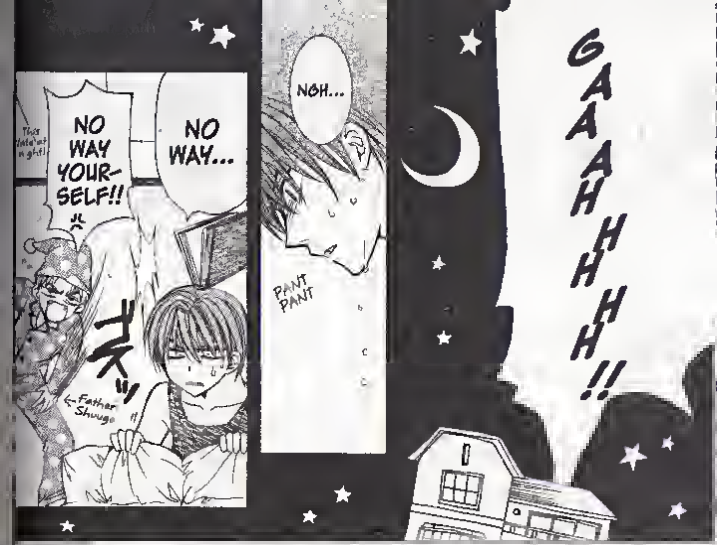
LIKE YOU...
Kaede
PLEASE... PLEASE DON'T DRAG ME ANY FURTHER INTO A LIFE THAT MAKES ABSOLUTELY NO SENSE. I'M BEGGING YOU.
Don't be deceived by him.
YEAH, RIGHT. I'M GONNA MAKE YOU SUFFER EVERY SO OFTEN FOR SAYING THAT I LOOK LIKE SERENA
Wh-what was that just now?
Gone off the deep end a little.


YES.
OH, THERE YOU ARE, SERENA.
OH, SERENA. WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
OH, I'M FINE, SIRIX.
I CAN DO THAT FOR YOU, YOU KNOW...
YOU'RE LUGGING AROUND ANOTHER HEAVY THING.
SERENA ...
Muscle
I'VE BEEN TRAINING, AFTER ALL.

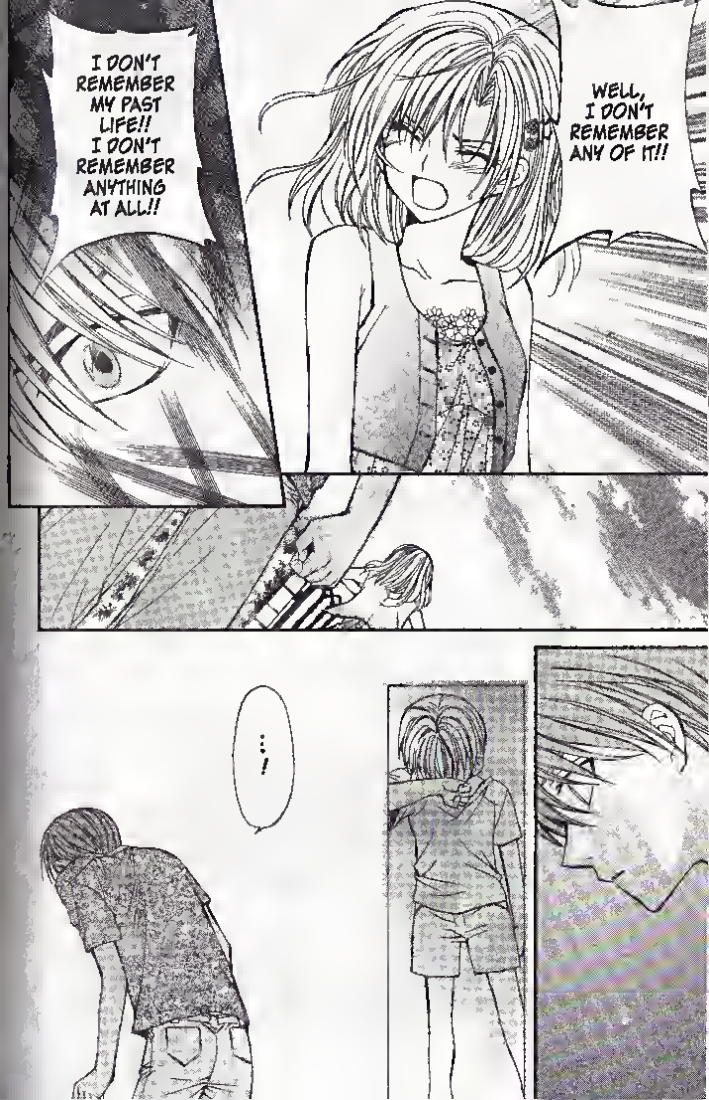

GAAAHHHH!!
NGH...
PANT PANT
NO WAY...
NO WAY YOURSELF!!
This date's a girl!
Father Shrugs

Kya-ha-ha ha ha ha ha!
WH-WHAT KIND OF DREAM IS THAT?!
It's just too funny!
SLAP SLAP
IT'S NOT FUNNY AT ALL, SERIZAWA!
IT WAS A SERENA THREE TIMES AS BIG AS ME! THREE TIMES!!
THE SORT OF SERENA THAT COULD HAVE SINGLE-HANDEDLY SURVIVED THE ERUPTION AT POMPEII AND STILL BE ALIVE TODAY, Y'KNOW?!
Wouldn't that be a good thing?

THEREFORE, SERIZAWA!!
I WANT YOU TO STOP THAT FOR ME.
What do you need the elev
Push ups
WHY DON'T I PUT THESE HEAVY THINGS AWAY WHILE YOU JUST GO SIT DOWN AND WATCH SOME TV, HMM?
YUUMA, YOU'RE PLENTY STRONG WITHOUT DOING ALL THAT.
BUT THEN WHEN I TRIED TO PUT THEM AWAY, NE JUST GOT EVEN MORE ADAMANT ABOUT TRAINING!!
What could I have possibly done wrong?!
HE'S GOT THIS LOOK YE'LL ALL AROUND HIM AND DOESN'T NOTICE IT, BUT KEI-CHAN'S PRETTY STRONG. HE HAS NO IDEA THAT HE TOTALLY SHATTERED YUUMA-KUN'S PRIDE IN ONE FELL SWOOP...
JUST STOP HIM, PLEASE? HE'LL TURN INTO BOB SAPP IF NE KEEPS UP LIKE THAT!!
I WONDE WHAT HE' TRAININ FOR
I ALREADY DID TRY TO STOP NIM!!
WHY DON' YOU STOP NIM, KEI-CHAN?
← Can pretty much do nothing right

.....
That guy is just too much!
STUPID YUUMA. CRAZY HOW HE BELIEVES THAT FRAUD OF A FORTUNE-TELLER...
...AND YET THERE'S NO WAY I CAN POSSIBLY TELL HIM THAT HE WAS MY WIFE SERENA IN A PAST LIFE.
I THINK HE'LL BE FINE. YUUMA-KUN'S BEEN TRAINING FOR QUITE A WHILE NOW AND HE HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL, HAS HE?
I KNOW... BUT MY DREAMS TEND TO COME TRUE.
YOU THINK SO? THERE'S NO GUARANTEE ON THAT.
AS FOR THAT FORTUNE-TELLER ...
MAYBE YUUMA-KUN REALLY WAS IN AFRICA IN HIS PAST LIFE.
MAYBE HE REALLY WAS A WARRIOR AND DID ALL THOSE THINGS.

HUH?
...ARE YOU SERIOUS?
ARE YOU SERIOUSLY SAYING ALL THAT?
KEI-CHA--
THAT THERE'S NO GUAR-ANTEE...?!
YUUMA IS SERENA!!
HE WAS SERENA, THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON TO ME IN MY LIFE!!
W...
DO YOU REALLY BELIEVE WHAT THAT FORTUNE-TELLER SAID?!


I DON'T REMEMBER MY PAST LIFE!! I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING AT ALL!!
WELL, I DON'T REMEMBER ANY OF IT!!
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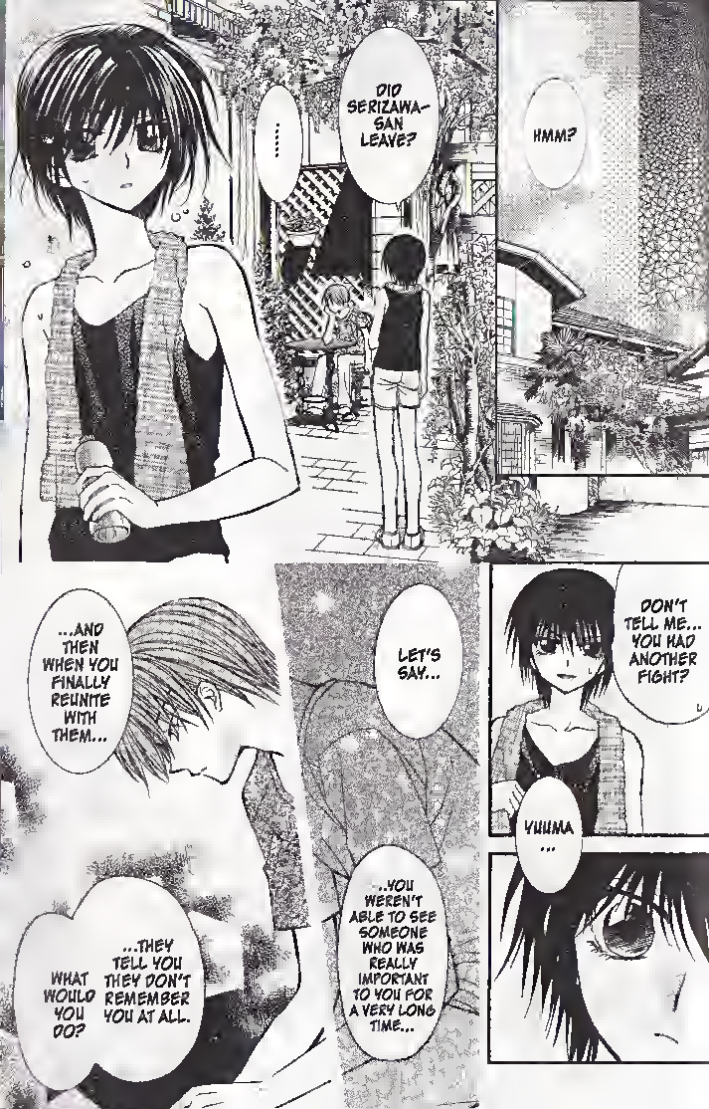
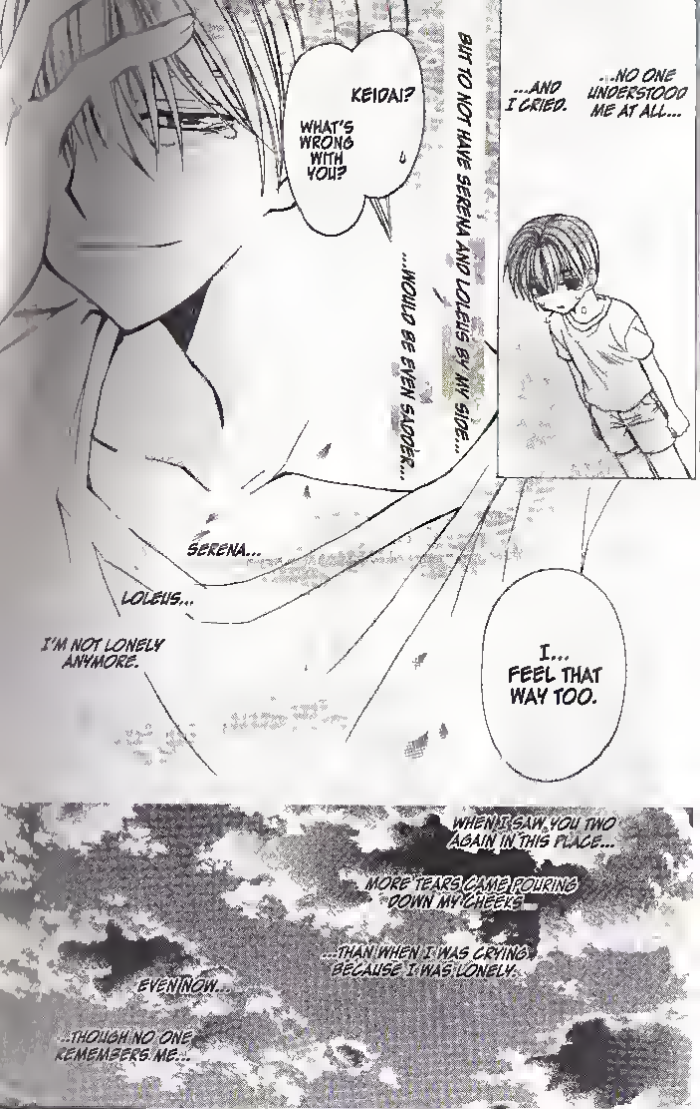
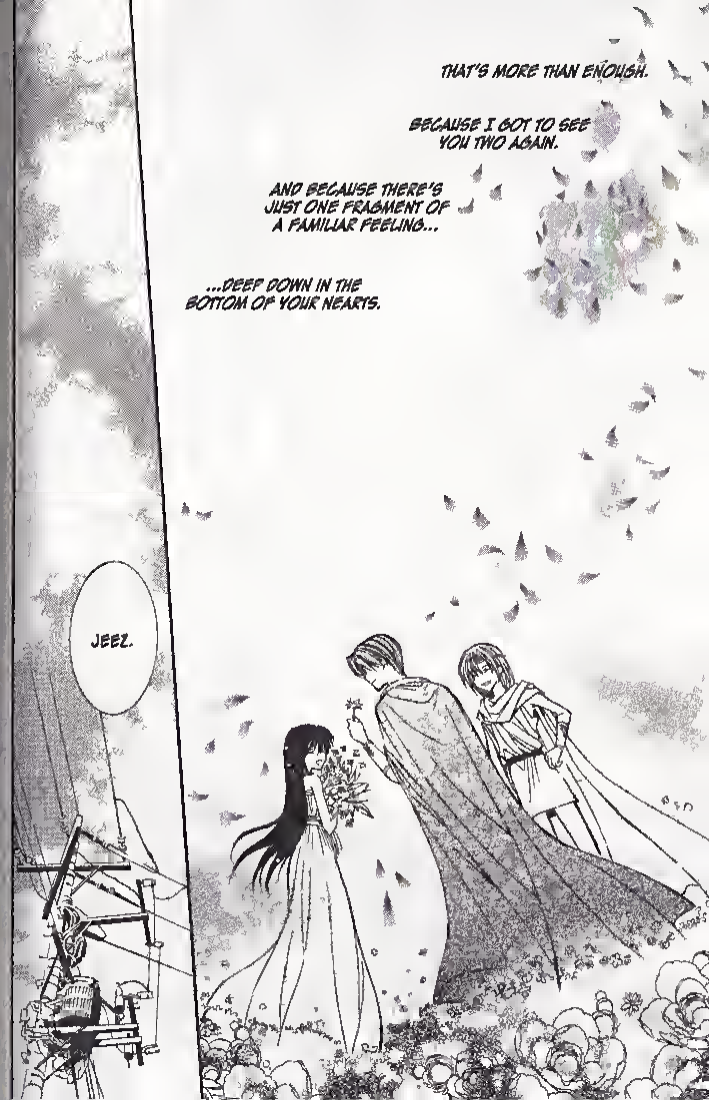

DID SERIZAWA-SAN LEAVE?
.....
HMM?
DON'T TELL ME... YOU HAD ANOTHER FIGHT?
YUUMA ...
LET'S SAY...
...AND THEN WHEN YOU FINALLY REUNITE WITH THEM...
...YOU WEREN'T ABLE TO SEE SOMEONE WHO WAS REALLY IMPORTANT TO YOU FOR A VERY LONG TIME...
...THEY TELL YOU THEY DON'T REMEMBER YOU AT ALL.
WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

WHAT'S THIS?
A PSYCHOLOGY TEST?
HMM, WELL, I GUESS...
I'D JUST BE HAPPY TO SEE THEM AGAIN.
.....
YEAH ...
I MEAN, I'D BE SAD THAT THEY DON'T REMEMBER ME, BUT...
...I'D STILL THINK IT WAS A WHOLE LOT BETTER THAN NOT EVER SEEING THEM AGAIN.

YOU'RE RIGHT...
.....
LOOK, I DON'T KNOW THE WHOLE STORY, BUT MAKE UP WITH SERIZAWA-SAN.
IT'S WEIRD, BUT... I HATE WHEN YOU AND SERIZAWA-SAN ARE GETTING ALONG...
...BUT I HATE IT EVEN MORE WHEN YOU'RE NOT.
WE'VE ONLY KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR A LITTLE WHILE, BUT...
...WHEN THE THREE OF US ARE TOGETHER, IT'S JUST SO CALMING.
THE FIRST TIME I EVER MET YOU GUYS...
...IT WAS LIKE...

IT KINDA FELT LIKE...
...WE'D ALREADY BEEN TOGETHER FOR THE LONGEST TIME.
WHEN I WAS LITTLE...
WHAT'S WRONG?
KEIDAI?
.....
YEAH ...


KEIDAI?
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?
...AND I CRIED.
...NO ONE UNDERSTOOD ME AT ALL...
BUT TO NOT HAVE SERENA AND LOLEUS BY MY SIDE...
...WOULD BE EVEN SADDER...
SERENA...
LOLEUS...
I'M NOT LONELY ANYMORE.
I... FEEL THAT WAY TOO.
WHEN I SAW YOU TWO AGAIN IN THIS PLACE...
MORE TEARS CAME POURING DOWN MY CHEEKS...
...THAN WHEN I WAS CRYING BECAUSE I WAS LONELY.
EVEN NOW...
...THOUGH NO ONE REMEMBERS ME...


THAT'S MORE THAN ENOUGH.
BECAUSE I GOT TO SEE YOU TWO AGAIN.
AND BECAUSE THERE'S JUST ONE FRAGMENT OF A FAMILIAR FEELING...
...DEEP DOWN IN THE BOTTOM OF YOUR HEARTS.
JEEZ.

I KNOW SERIZAWA WELL ENOUGH TO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S JUST NO WAY SHE WOULD HAVE MEANT SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
I TOOK SOMETHING SHE SAID LIGHTLY WAY TOO SERIOUSLY...
...BUT ON TOP OF THAT DREAM, I WAS FEELING OVERLY SENSITIVE ...
UGH. IT WASN'T REALLY A FIGHT.
SO WHY'D YOU GUYS START FIGHTING THIS TIME, ANYWAY?
OH?
OH, THERE SHE IS. IT'S SERIZAWA-SAN.
WHAT PREPARATION? IF YOU'RE GOING TO APOLOGIZE, JUST APOLOGIZE ALREADY.
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
DAMMIT, YUUMA, I NEEDED TO PREPARE MYSELF...
HOLD ON A SECOND!
UH
SERIZAWA-SAN!

SIRIX!
HUH?
A-APOLOGIZE? BUT IT'S NOT LIKE IT WAS EVEN A REAL FIGHT OR ANYTHING ...
MUMBLE MUMBLE
WE'RE BEST FRIENDS, AFTER ALL.
AREN'T WE?
WILL YOU TELL ME MORE ABOUT POMPEII SOMETIME?

LOLEUS...
A Friendship Sworn at the Sunset
Hahahahahaha hahahahahaha hahahahahaha
The Cross Counter of Friendship
OH...
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Grrrrr
Huh?
FOR-EVER, HUH...?
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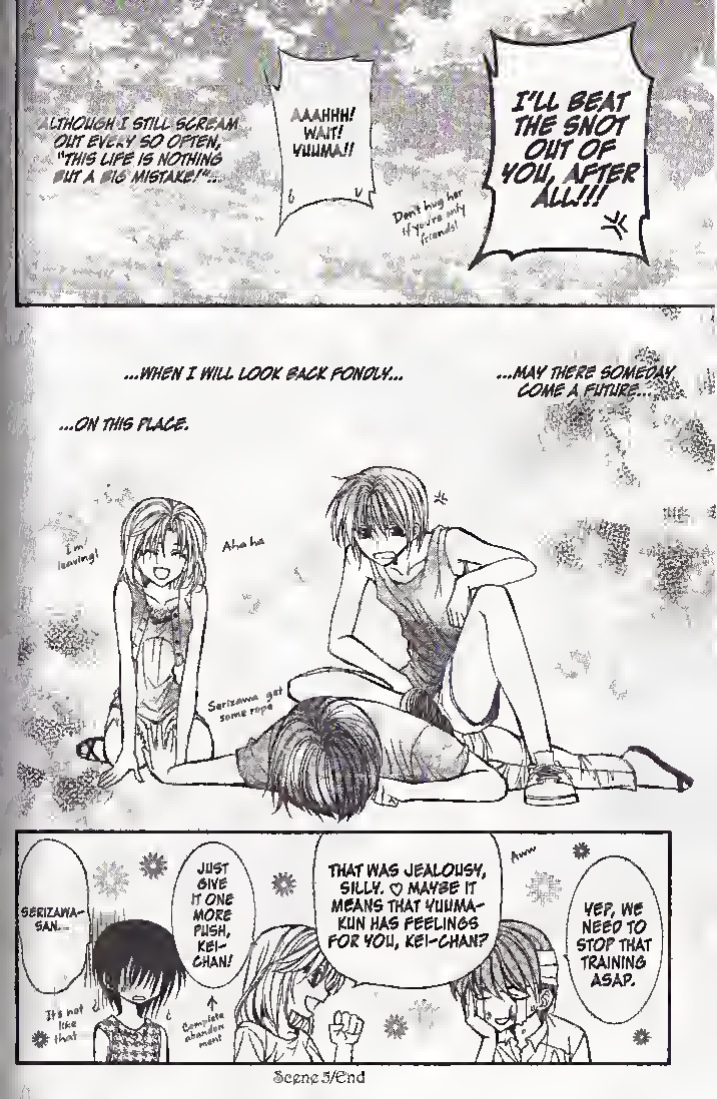
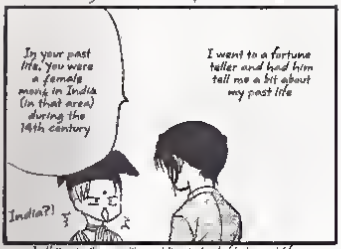
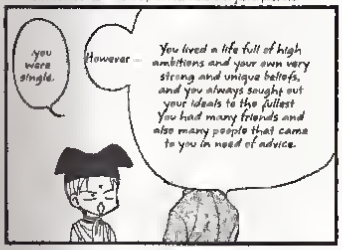
YES, WE ARE!
WE'RE FRIENDS FOREVER!


ALTHOUGH I STILL SCREAM OUT EVERY SO OFTEN, "THIS LIFE IS NOTHING BUT A BIG MISTAKE!"...
AAAHHH! WAIT! YUUMA!!
Don't hug her if you're only friends!
I'LL BEAT THE SNOT OUT OF YOU, AFTER ALL!!!
...WHEN I WILL LOOK BACK FONDLY...
...MAY THERE SOMEDAY COME A FUTURE...
...ON THIS PLACE.
I'm leaving!
Aha ha
Serizawa get some rope
SERIZAWA-SAN...
It's not like that
JUST GIVE IT ONE MORE PUSH, KEI-CHAN!
Complete abandonment
THAT WAS JEALOUSY, SILLY. ♡ MAYBE IT MEANS THAT YUUMA-KUN HAS FEELINGS FOR YOU, KEI-CHAN?
Awww
YEP, WE NEED TO STOP THAT TRAINING ASAP.

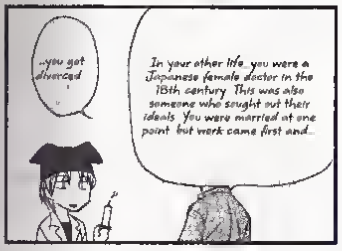
Nothing more than a complete divination...

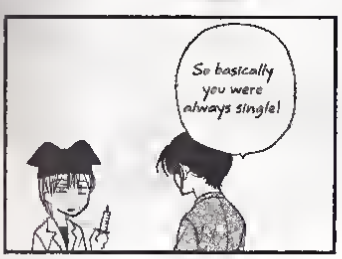

In your past life, you were a female monk in India (in that area) during the 14th century
India?!
I went to a fortune teller and had him tell me a bit about my past life

In this case, it's not a like past lives instead of just a past life.


...you were single.
However—
You lived a life full of high ambitions and your own very strong and unique beliefs, and you always sought out your ideals to the fullest. You had many friends and also many people that came to you in need of advice.

An *NG Life*-Like Account


...you got divorced.
In your other life, you were a Japanese female doctor in the 18th century. This was also someone who sought out their ideals. You were married at one point but work came first and...



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NG LIFE VOL. 2 IS COMING JULY 2009!
YOU'RE GONNA SPOIL IT, ME!
SHUT THE HECK UP!
THAT EVIL LADY IS ACTUALLY--
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IN THE NEXT

NG LIFE

KEIDAI SAEKI'S LIFE IS PRETTY CONFUSING NOW, WHAT WITH HIS PAST LIFE'S FRIENDS AND FAMILY BEING REINCARNATED IN WRONG BODIES AND ALL, BUT IT'S ABOUT TO GET DOWN RIGHT CRAZY! ANOTHER FORMER POMPEIIAN JOINS THE PARTY, AND, JUST LIKE KEIDAI, SHE ALSO RETAINS THE MEMORIES OF HER PAST LIFE! UNFORTUNATELY FOR OUR HERO, SHE DIDN'T LIKE HIM 1,900 YEARS AGO AND SHE CERTAINLY DOESN'T LIKE HIM NOW...